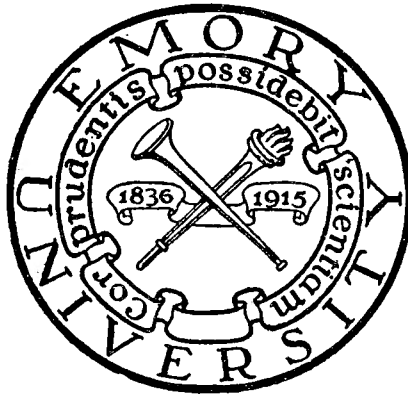






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AT THE  
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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, October 23, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

In accordance with the provisions of law, the Senate met in its annual session of 1895, on the 23d day of October, at 10 o'clock, meridian, and was called to order by the President, the Hon. William H. Venable.

Prayer was then offered by the Chaplain, the Rev J. W. G. Watkins.

The roll was called by the Secretary, Hon. Wm. Clifton.

The following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Williams,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Roberts,	

A quorum was found present.

On motion of Mr. Broughton, the Secretary was directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate had convened for the session of 1895, and was ready to proceed with business.



Mr. Broughton offered the following joint resolution, which was read and agreed, to wit:

*Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring,* That a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House be appointed to wait upon his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly has convened for the session of 1895, is ready to proceed with business, and awaits any communication he may deem proper to make.

The committee on the part of the Senate consists of Messrs. Broughton and Beeks.

The following message was recieved from the House of Representatives, through the Clerk thereof, M. A. Hardin:

*Mr. President:*

I am instructed to inform this branch of the General Assembly that the House of Representatives has reconvened in annual session, a quorum being present, and is now ready to proceed with the regular business of the session.

The House has also concurred in the resolution of the Senate, appointing a committee of three from the House and two from the Senate, to wait on his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly has convened for the session of 1895, and is ready to proceed with business.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Jenkins, Bush, McCurry, Johnson of Hall, and Brown of Pulaski.

Mr. Sheppard offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, His Excellency, Grover Cleveland, our worthy and esteemed President, the Vice-President, and the cabinet are now in this city; therefore be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the House concurring,* That we now adjourn for the purpose of paying our respects to our distinguished visitors.

The resolution was agreed to, and by virtue of its terms, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

# SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Thursday, October 24, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey.
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarritty,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Williams,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Roberts,	

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Journals reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Long offered the following resolution, which was read and agreed to, to wit:

*Resolved*, That all bills and other papers in the hands of the various committees at the close of the last session be returned to the Senate and again given over to the proper committees.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, when the following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as respectively indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Roberts—

A bill to amend an act to regulate the business of building and loan associations, approved October 19, 1891, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Roberts—

A bill to provide for a board of equalization of real and personal property subject to taxation, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Harris of the Third district—

A bill to amend an act approved October 22, 1887, by striking the word fishing from the first line of the title of said act, and to repeal the second section of said act, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Harris of the Third district—

A bill to repeal an act approved July 22, 1891, which declares all obligations to pay attorney's fees void in addition to the interest specified therein in any note or evidence of debt, etc., and to prohibit the collection of the same, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district—

A bill to provide for the hearing and trial of cases where the judge of the circuit is disqualified; to prescribe the place where such hearing shall be had, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district—

A bill to define and apply the law of abatements in certain cases, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Snead—

A bill to make penal the buying or selling of seed cotton in the county of Columbia between certain dates, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Long—

A bill to provide for the appointment of an insurance commissioner and a clerk to same for the State of Georgia, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. M. A. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

*Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring,* That we most cordially welcome to our State the Chief Magistrate of this republic, the Vice-President, and the members of the cabinet.

*Resolved further,* That a committee of three from the House and two from the Senate be appointed to convey our greeting to our distinguished guests and request them to honor the General Assembly with a visit to the hall of the House of Representatives before leaving the city.

Committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Jenkins, Hall, and Boifeuillet.

The foregoing joint resolution from the House was taken up and unanimously concurred in.

The President appointed as the committee on the part of the Senate, under the aforesaid joint resolution, Messrs. Lewis and Broughton.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the joint committee to invite the President and his cabinet to visit the General Assembly submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The committee on the part of the Senate beg to report that a joint committee of the Senate and House did invite the President and his Cabinet to visit us.

The President received us kindly, heartily thanking us, with regret that he would be compelled to leave the city last night, and, on that account only, could not accept the invitation.

E. B. LEWIS,  
W A. BROUGHTON.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, took a recess for a few minutes, at the expiration of which the body was called to order.

A committee from the House of Representatives, consisting of Messrs. Reece, Humphreys, and Gilreath, entered

the Senate and delivered the following paper, which was read, to wit :

*Mr. President :*

We have been sent as a committee of three to notify the Senate that the House is now in session and ready for business.

Respectfully,

JOHN S. REECE, Chairman.

W S. HUMPHREY,

J. H. GILREATH.

Mr. Broughton, chairman of the joint committee on the part of the Senate to wait on the Governor, etc., reported that the committee had called on his Excellency, the Governor, discharging the duty imposed by the joint resolution, and that his Excellency replied that he had at present no communication to make, but would do so in writing at some time during the present week.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Friday, October 25, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Beeks,

Broughton,

Bush,

Lewis,

Long,

Little,

Sheppard,

Storey,

Sanford,



Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Williams,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Roberts,	

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct.

The Journal was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Sheppard offered the following resolution, which was read and agreed to, to wit:

*Resolved*, That Messrs, John H. Jenkins, John M. Easterling, H. Cowart, J. S. Easterling, H. J. Easterling, I. M. Rountree, Jonathan Brewster, M. Collins, and S. L. Hodges, be entitled to seats in the Senate during their stay in this city.

On the call of the roll, the following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as respectively indicated, to wit:

By Mr. Broughton—

A bill to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison, approved October 6, 1893.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Brand—

A bill to amend section 4721 of the Code, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Harris of the Twelfth district—

A bill to prohibit the printing, publishing, selling, offering to sell, or otherwise disposing of books, pamphlets, or tracts containing the history of any man popularly known as an outlaw.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Lumpkin—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Cartersville, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Roberts—

A bill to provide that a master may not contract with a servant exempting himself from liabilities to the servant for injuries sustained through his negligence, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Roberts—

A bill to amend section 4349 of the Code of 1882, which defines the crime of rape, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Snead—

A bill to protect vested rights.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Sharpe—

A bill to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Carrollton, approved September 9, 1891.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, by Mr. Sharpe—

A bill to amend an act to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Schools.

By Mr. Whitley—

A bill to provide for the registration of deaths in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the State of the Republic.

By Mr. Cumming—

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to amend section 3910(c) of the Code, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Bush—

A bill to amend an act to protect game in the State of Georgia during certain seasons, approved December 30, 1893, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. Broughton, took a recess until 11 o'clock A. M., at which hour the President called the body to order.

Mr. Storey was granted leave of absence for next week to attend court.

Leave of absence for Monday was granted Mr. Harris of the Third district.

Mr. Williams was granted leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Mercer offered the following privileged resolution, which was read and agreed to, to wit:

*Resolved*, That the janitor of the building be directed to remove the seven desks and chairs now occupied by Senators in the rear of the Senate chamber, and place them in proper position in front of the present row of desks.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, offered (by request) a resolution authorizing and directing the Comptroller-General to reopen the matter of assessments of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company.

This resolution was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

It was ordered, on motion, that, when the Senate adjourns this day, it will adjourn until Monday next.

By resolution of Mr. Bush the Hon. Geo. D. Griffin, of the county of Decatur, was invited to a seat in the Senate.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration Senate bill No. 113, by Mr. Whitley, of the Thirty-eighth district, which is a bill to be entitled an act to preserve the public morals from injury caused by too great publicity in trials in the courts of this State, etc., and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Also, Senate bill No. 128, by Mr. Sheppard of the Second District, which is a bill entitled an act to repeal sections 2040 to 2049, inclusive, known as the Schedule Act, etc., and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read a second time and recommitted.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate to repeal sections 2040 to 2049, inclusive, of the Code of 1882, which was referred to the General Judiciary Committee, was reported back by said committee, with the recommendation that the bill be read a second time and recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill was read the second time and recommitted.

The bill of the Senate to amend paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 3 of article 6; paragraph 1 of section 11 of article 6, and paragraph 1 of section 12 of article 6 of the Constitution, etc., was taken up under adverse report of the General Judiciary Committee, and, on motion, was read the second time, fifty copies ordered printed for the use of the Senate, and the bill was made the special order for Wednesday next after the reading of the Journal.

The bill of the Senate to authorize females to hold certain civil offices, etc., adversely reported by the General Judiciary Committee, was, on motion, recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the Senate to create the Eastman Judicial circuit, adversely reported by the General Judiciary Committee, was taken up and lost by agreement with said adverse report.

The bill of the Senate to repeal certain portions of an act to carry into effect paragraph 2, section 18, article 6 of the Constitution, etc., approved October 17, 1879, was taken up, under adverse report of the General Judiciary Committee, and, on motion, read the second time and made the special order for Thursday next after the reading of the Journal.

The bill of the Senate to preserve the public morals from injury was taken up, under adverse report of the

General Judiciary Committee, and, on motion, read the second time, fifty copies ordered printed, and the bill made the special order for Tuesday next after another special order is disposed of.

The following bills of the Senate, adversely reported by the General Judiciary Committee, were taken up under adverse report, and, on motion, recommitted to the Finance Committee, to wit:

A bill to exempt from taxation notes received by vendors of real and personal property, etc.

A bill to exempt from taxation notes given by vendors, etc.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the Secretary's desk, adjourned, on motion, to 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Monday, October 28, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Those present were Messrs:

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Neade,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,



Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Williams,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Roberts,	

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and approved by the Senate.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as herein respectively indicated, to wit :

By Mr Starr—

A bill “to amend paragraph 1, section 2, article 6 of the Constitution of the State, so as to increase the number of Supreme Court judges from three to five, so that said court shall consist of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Sheppard—

A bill to amend section 2571 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Keen—

A bill to abolish the city court of Laurens county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district—

A bill to provide for service by publication, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Brand—

A bill to amend section 3554 of the Code of Georgia of 1882, so as to provide that a certain per cent. of said wages shall not be exempt from process of garnishment in certain cases, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Venable, the President—

A bill to amend section 2682 and 2683 of the Code of Georgia of 1882, in regard to title by prescription, providing that no time shall bar a municipal corporation from opening any part of a street theretofore dedicated to public uses as such.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Venable—

A bill providing that there shall be no recovery by abutting lot owners for loss or damage from an original grading of any street, lane, or alley, within the corporate limits of any municipal corporation in this State, unless it shall appear to the satisfaction of the court and jury trying the case, that such grading was unreasonable, or was negligently done.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Venable—

A bill to amend section 3058, 3059, and 3060 of the Code of Georgia of 1882, limiting the time in which actions for damages to realty, to personalty, and for injuries to the person, shall be brought, so as to provide that no suit shall be maintained against any municipal corporation of this State for damages to person or property, unless brought within one year from the time the injury occurred,

or the work was done, for, or in consequence of which the damages are claimed.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Roberts—

A bill to amend section 2005 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes:

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, offered the following amendment to the rules, to wit:

That rule 63 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following words:

A majority of a quorum voting in the affirmative shall be necessary to postpone any bill or measure before the Senate to a day certain, and when so fixed it removes the subject and all consideration thereof, until the time thus designated.

The proposed amendment was read and laid over under the rules.

By resolution of Mr. Lumpkin, the Hon. A. W. Fite, of Cartersville, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. M. A. Hardin, Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House of Representatives has passed by the requisite constitutional majority, House bill No. 114, the same being a bill to be entitled an act to prohibit muscle, venter, and other vulgar, obscene, and immoral dances in this State. To prescribe the penalty for a violation of this act, and for other purposes.

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The bill set forth in the foregoing message was taken up, read the first time, and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution convening the General Assembly in joint session to-day at 11 A. M., the 28th inst., for the purpose of electing a solicitor-general of the Oconee circuit for the full term beginning January 1, 1896.

On motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, the joint resolution from the House, specified in the foregoing message, was taken up and concurred in.

At the hour of 11 o'clock A. M., the President announced that the time for the meeting of the General Assembly in joint session had arrived.

Whereupon, the President, accompanied by the Secretary and members of the Senate, repaired to the Hall of Representatives, and being announced by the doorkeeper, were received by the House of Representatives.

The President took the chair, and having called the General Assembly to order, caused the Secretary to read the resolution under which the joint session had convened, to wit :

A resolution convening the General Assembly in joint session at 11 o'clock A. M., this day, for the purpose of electing a solicitor-general of the Oconee circuit for the full term of four years, beginning January 1, 1896.

The President announced that nominations for said office were in order. Whereupon, Mr. Smith, of Telfair, placed in nomination the Hon. Thomas Eason of the county of Telfair.

This nomination was seconded by Mr. Dodson of Sumter county.

There being no other nomination, the Secretary was directed to proceed with the call of the roll for said election.

This having been done and the vote being summed up, it appeared that the whole number of votes cast was 168. Necessary to a choice, 85.

The Hon. Thomas Eason, of the county of Telfair, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was, by the President, declared duly elected solicitor-general of the Oconee circuit for the term of four years commencing January 1, 1896.

On motion of Mr. Beeks the joint session was dissolved.

The Senate returned to the Senate Chamber, and the body was called to order by the President.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing.

The following message from his Excellency, the Governor, was, on motion, taken up and read as follows:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
Atlanta, Ga., October 23, 1895.

*Members of the General Assembly:*

In obedience to official duty, it is my pleasure to communicate to you such information as will aid in the discharge of the important trusts confided to you, and to make such suggestions and recommendations as, in my judgment, will promote the interest of the State. Fortunately for me, in the performance of this duty, the reports from the departments of State, made to me in conformity to law, are so thorough and comprehensive that by transmitting them to you, which I will do, I place you in

possession of such information that it is unnecessary for me to enter into an extended statement covering the subjects so ably discussed in these reports. I call your special attention to each of these, and ask that you give due consideration to the recommendations of these thoughtful, painstaking, and faithful officers.

It is a source of great gratification to myself, and it must be to each of you, that you convene at a period in the history of our State when we are enjoying the blessings of Providence in fruitful harvests. I rejoice that the worst of the terrible financial panic which has been upon us is over, and am confident we can look forward to an era of prosperity. While the cotton crop of this year is not so large as we had hope for, the unexpected good price and the large yield of corn, peas, potatoes, rice, and other food crops, places the people of the State in better condition than they have been for years.

#### COTTON STATES AND INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

The effort of some of the public-spirited and enterprising citizens of this State to hold this year a great International Exposition, which was at first regarded as an audacious undertaking, has been brought to a happy termination. In its arrangement, variety, and proportions it excels any exhibition of the resources and achievements of the American people (with the exception of the World's Fair at Chicago) which has ever been made, and will bring to Georgia visitors from every quarter of the globe, whose impressions of our people, our civilization, our resources, and our inviting fields for investment will in the near future greatly advance our growth in industries, population and wealth.

#### STATE EXHIBIT.

Realizing the importance of this great event, at your last session you made an appropriation which you directed to be used for the purpose of making an exhibit of Geor-

gia's resources at the Cotton States and International Exposition. The duty of expending this money and making the proposed exhibit was imposed by you upon Hon. R. U. Hardeman, State Treasurer; Hon. J. M. Terrell, Attorney-General; Hon. G. R. Glenn, State School Commissioner; Hon. W. A. Wright, Comptroller-General; Hon. R. T. Nesbitt, Commissioner of Agriculture, and upon myself. The board selected Hon. W. S. Yeates, State Geologist; Hon. Geo. F. Payne, State Chemist, and Hon. Robert J. Quinn, Assistant School Commissioner, as honorary members, each of whom has rendered us valuable aid without compensation. Mr. George W. Kelly was elected as assistant to the Commissioner of Agriculture, who was the executive officer of the board, and Mr. E. M. Durant was elected as secretary. With this force we undertook to do the work entrusted to us, and feel a just pride in the magnificent exhibit made by the State. At an early period in our work we became convinced that the sum appropriated by the State would not enable us to make so complete an exhibit of all the resources of the State as we felt it was the duty of the State to make on such an occasion. Fortunately some of the public-spirited and patriotic citizens of the State, who are interested in manufacturing, came to our aid. With their approval and co-operation a convention of the manufacturers of Georgia was called to meet in the hall of the House of Representatives. The convention was largely attended, and as one of the results thereof money was raised, and a special building erected at the expense of the manufacturers themselves, in which you will find the exhibit of the Georgia manufacturers. The variety, character, and extent of this exhibit must inspire the pride of every Georgian, and when taken in connection with the exhibit made by the State Board, places Georgia before the world in a most enviable light. Those who come from

abroad to visit this great exposition, and views Georgia's resources as exhibited in the State Building and in the Georgia Manufacturers' Building, will leave us with a higher estimate of the resources and capabilities of our State and the character and achievements of our people. The influence of the exposition and of the State's exhibit will be of incalculable value in directing to Georgia a vast amount of capital which the revival of business will cause to seek safe and profitable investment.

#### COMPTROLLER-GENERAL'S REPORT.

The report of the Comptroller-General presents a number of interesting facts. I call your special attention to two tabulated statements arranged by him, the one showing the value of the different classes of property in 1879 and in 1895, and the other the value of the taxable property of our colored population during each of the years within that period:

	1879.	1895.
City and town real estate. . .	\$49,007,286	\$116,311,095
Agricultural lands . . . .	90,493,822	120,872,615
Live-stock. . . . .	21,017,634	21,174,632
Farm implements. . . . .	2,971,372	4,754,651
Household furniture. . . .	9,156,404	15,163,146
Merchandise. . . . .	12,012,755	17,419,116
Money, etc. . . . .	25,513,005	31,056,175
Cotton factories. . . . .	1,640,000	9,684,286
Iron works, etc. . . . .	295,640	968,333
Bank capital . . . . .	4,667,567	13,093,686
Railroad property . . . .	9,866,129	39,952,572

#### STATEMENT OF PROPERTY RETURNED BY COLORED TAXPAYERS FROM 1879 TO 1895.

1879	...	\$ 5,182,398
1880	.....	5,764,293
1881.	... ..	6,478,951
1882.	... ..	6,589,876
1883.	... ..	7,582,895
1884.	.... ..	8,021,525
1885.	... ..	8,153,890
1886.	... ..	8,655,298
1887	... ..	8,936,479
1888.	... ..	9,631,271
1889.	.... ..	10,415,330
1890.	... ..	12,322,003



1891.	..	..	..	..	..	14,196,735
1892.	....	..	..	....	..	14,869,575
1893.			..	..	..	14,960,675
1894.	..			..	..	14,387,730
1895.	...			...	..	12,941,230

The tax returns for the present year show a loss of nineteen million dollars of valuation as compared with the returns for the previous year. While this is to be regretted it is scarcely to be wondered at when we consider the depressing effect of the panic upon business and property values everywhere.

#### THE NEED OF A NEW ASSESSMENT LAW.

In reference to the value of property as shown by the Comptroller-General's report gathered from tax returns, it is my duty to say to you that it does not approximate the real or market value of the property of the citizens of the State subject to taxation. Under the present system of making tax returns, outside of where the returns are affected by local assessment systems of towns and cities, each man is his own tax-assessor and places upon his property such value as he sees fit, even himself in many instances confessing that the amount at which it has been returned by him for taxes bears no approximate relation to the real value of the property. While the legislature nominally fixes the tax rate for the State to be collected from her citizens, each citizen has the power to fix his own tax rate, and many of them do fix it at an unjustly low rate by placing a value upon their property far below its value and on a scale much lower than that by which the property of their neighbors are valued. The man who pays taxes upon property unfairly valued at \$500, while on property of the same value his neighbor pays on \$1,000, is lowering his own tax rate one-half, depriving the State of its just revenue, and placing an unjust burden upon his honest neighbor who values his property correctly.

I most earnestly recommend that some plan be devised

by which the State can arrive at something like a just valuation of the property of its citizens subject to taxation and protect the man who honestly returns his taxes against impositions from those who return their property at an improper valuation. It is well to bear in mind that any plan which you may adopt will, when put in practical operation, prove imperfect, but as these defects appear it will be the duty of your successors to correct them and continue to perfect the law. Certain it is that no system which can be adopted can be open to greater abuses or more flagrant injustices than the law under which our property is now returned for taxes. A proper plan for assessment of property for taxation will not only equalize values but place upon the tax books a vast amount of personal effects which now escape taxation. In connection with this recommendation I desire to suggest that you authorize the Comptroller-General to prescribe and furnish to the tax-collectors and tax-receivers of this State such books as in his judgment should be kept by them and to prescribe rules directing how these books shall be kept. This will enable him to require the business of the State conducted by each of these officers to be conducted in a systematic and business-like manner, and will result in a large saving to the State.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

The report of the State Treasurer will give you ample information as to the conditions of our finances. By reference to this report it will be seen that under the law enacted by your honorable body at its session in 1894 providing for the quarterly payment of teachers that the treasury will have a severe strain to bear. The payment, soon to be made, will require the treasurer to advance to the school fund about four hundred thousand dollars. I respectfully suggest that your finance committee make close inquiry into the effect of this great draft upon the treasury, and that such legislation as may be needed for its relief, if any, be enacted.

## STATE DEPOSITORIES.

Soon after coming into office I undertook, in conformity with the Act of 1878, to make an arrangement with the various depositories providing for the payment of interest upon the public funds entrusted to them. As a result of this effort I consummated contracts with all of the banks but two, which two resigned rather than pay interest, which contracts provided for the payment of interest at the rate of two per cent. on daily balances from March 1, 1895, to March 1, 1896, to be paid semi-annually. I am informed by the State Treasurer that the amount of interest due the State for the first six months, ending September 1, will approximate eight thousand dollars. It must be borne in mind in this connection that the provision for quarterly payment of teachers, which is a wise and proper one, has largely reduced the State's deposits in its various depositories, and for that reason the income from this source can be nothing like so large as it would otherwise have been. It is gratifying, however, to know, notwithstanding this large decrease of deposit, that within the first six months I have been able to make for the State the sum of eight thousand dollars from this unexpected source. I respectfully suggest that the law providing for State depositories be so amended as to remove all doubt that may exist in the mind of any one as to the power of the Governor to appoint a successor when he is unable to agree with them upon the rate of interest to be paid upon the State deposits.

SALE OF  $3\frac{1}{2}$  PER CENT. BONDS AT A PREMIUM.

Under the provisions of the Act approved December 18, 1894, 499 five hundred dollar bonds on the Northeastern Railroad indorsed by the State were deposited with the treasurer to be exchanged at par for the new three and one-half per cent. bonds to be issued under said Act. Fortu-

nately, however, for the State these new three and one-half per cent. bonds were, when offered for sale, sold to the Columbus Savings Bank at a premium of 11-100 per cent. for each five hundred dollar bond. To have sold a bond bearing three and one-half per cent. interest at a premium during such a financial stringency, is an event in our history of which all Georgians may well be proud, and speaks volumes for the high standing of our State in the commercial world. The sale of these bonds enabled me to discharge our obligation on the Northeastern Railroad bonds which had one year to run and were bearing interest at 7 per cent. per annum. The saving to the State in the difference between 7 and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. for the period that these 7 per cent. bonds were to run was the sum of \$8,155.

## PROCEEDS OF SALE OF BONDS.

From the following statement of the State Treasurer you will see what disposition was made of the proceeds of these bonds:

## R. U. HARDEMAN, TR.,

IN ACCOUNT WITH PROCEEDS ARISING FROM SALE  $3\frac{1}{2}$  PER CENT. BONDS.

DR.

To amount received from sale $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. bonds. . . . .	\$ 287,063 80
"    "    " $3\frac{1}{2}$ bonds and premiums not issued	
in my hands. . . . .	3,000 66
To amount received from R. K. Reaves, Receiver North-eastern Railroad. . . . .	2,800 00
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	\$ 292,863 46

CR.

By amount paid holders of bonds and coupons. . . . .	\$ 281,374 50
"    "    "    Proclamations for sale R. R. and bond	
transaction . . . . .	2,346 29
By amount paid engraving, printing, and express charges	827 46
Bonds in my hands not issued and premium. . . . .	3,000 66
Balance on hand. . . . .	5,315 55
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	\$ 292,864 46

This balance is now on deposit with the Merchants Bank of this city, a State depository, to meet the outstanding bonds of the Northeastern Railroad, all of said bonds having been paid by me, with the exception of eleven (11) five hundred (\$500) dollar

bonds and coupons which will make outstanding	
bonds and coupons.	\$ 6,077 50
And as above stated, I have on hand.	5,315 55
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Leaving a balance of.	\$ 761 95
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Which amount we can get from the receiver of the road, or by the issuance of one of the bonds now in my hands, as your Excellency may determinine.

It is proper for me to call your attention to the condition of some of the past due coupons on the bonds of the Northeastern Railroad which I have not seen proper to advise the treasurer to pay, and suggest that you decide the course to be pursued in reference thereto. Coupons attached to these bonds, amounting to the sum of eleven hundred dollars, which were past due at the time the State was notified of the default of the road on payment of interest have not been paid.

These bonds indorsed by the State contained the provision that whenever there should be a default on the part of the road and notice of such default given the State, that the Governor should seize the road and operate it so as to protect the State as surety on these bonds. Had the State been notified of the default of this road at the time these coupons matured it could have at once seized the road and operated it from that period. Its failure to seize and operate it from that time, secure an income therefrom and protect itself from further loss on maturing coupons was due to no fault of its own, but was the fault of the holder of the bonds, declining to give the State notice of the default of the road. Under these conditions I have thought proper to refer the matter to you, that it might be disposed of as you thought just.

#### CONDITION OF NORTHEASTERN RAILROAD.

Since coming into office I have found it necessary to go to considerable expense in putting the Northeastern Railroad in good condition. Among other extraordinary expenditures incurred was in the purchase of an engine, for

which we paid four thousand dollars. We were paying fifteen hundred dollars per year as rental for an engine, and under the contract were required to keep the same in repair at our own expense. This policy I did not deem wise to continue and therefore made the purchase as above stated.

#### SALE OF THE NORTHEASTERN RAILROAD.

As provided by law, and advised by Act of 1894, after advertising same according to law, that part of the Northeastern Railroad lying between Athens and its junction with the Southern Railroad was exposed to sale in the city of Athens on the 16th of April, 1895, and bought in by me for the State of Georgia for the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, this being the only bid made. The deed to the property has been made to the State and properly recorded. I submit herewith a statement showing the running expenses and expenditures of the road from date of seizure by the State to date of sale, and from date of sale to September 1st:

#### Statement of Earnings and Expenses of the Northeastern Railroad of Georgia from November 20, 1893 to April 16, 1895, Inclusive.

	Earnings.	Expenses.	Net Earnings.	Deficit.
Nov., 1893.....	\$ 2,354 11	\$ 1,535 53	\$ 818 58	\$ . . . . .
Dec., 1893.....	7,883 74	5,259 40	2,624 34	.....
Jan., 1894.....	5,995 66	3,597 59	2,398 07	.....
Feb., 1894.....	5,021 51	3,932 84	1,088 67	.....
* Mch., 1894.....	6,844 27	3,943 22	2,901 05	.....
April, 1894.....	3,977 58	3,739 84	237 74	.....
May, 1894.....	3,374 81	3,193 95	180 86	.....
June, 1894.....	3,321 04	2,928 75	392 29	.....
July, 1894.....	3,296 16	3,007 06	289 10	.....
Aug., 1894.....	4,108 82	3,728 02	380 80	.....
Sept., 1894.....	3,894 12	3,223 73	670 39	.....
Oct., 1894.....	7,074 33	4,392 39	2,681 94	.....
Nov., 1894.....	8,455 25	4,169 62	4,285 63	.....
Dec., 1894.....	6,108 70	4,084 58	2,024 12	.....
Jan., 1895.....	4,567 18	3,410 66	1,156 62	.....
Feb., 1895.....	4,091 98	3,342 09	749 89	.....
Mch., 1895.....	5,751 97	3,315 68	2,436 29	.....
April, 1895.....	2,674 67	3,339 79	.....	665 12
	\$ 88,795 90	\$ 64,144 74	\$ 25,316 28	\$ 665 12

Statement of Earnings and Expenses of the Northeastern Railroad of Georgia from April 17, 1895, to September 30, 1895, Inclusive.

	Earnings.	Expenses.	Net Earnings.	Deficit.
April, 1895.....	\$ 1,304 91	\$ 1,549 51	\$.....	\$ 244 60
May, 1895.....	3,269 74	3,281 38	.....	21 64
June, 1895.....	3,147 74	3,079 22	68 52	.....
July, 1895.....	3,420 98	2,974 31	446 67	.....
Aug., 1895.....	3,866 93	3,263 98	602 95	.....
	\$ 15,010 30	\$ 14,158 40	\$ 1,118 14	\$ 266 24

After purchase of the road I placed in charge Hon. R. K. Reaves, who has been operating the road since the purchase as agent of the State. There is no doubt that the road will earn a very large dividend on the purchase price paid therefor by me, and will yield a sufficient income to pay the interest on the entire series of bonds which the State issued to take up the old bonds of the Northeastern Railroad indorsed by it.

FUTURE DISPOSITION OF THE NORTHEASTERN RAILROAD.

I desire to call your attention to this property, and submit to your consideration the question of its future operation or disposition. If, in your judgment, it is wise to sell or lease this property, it will be necessary for you to enact the provisions under which you desire the sale or lease contract to be made.

BLUE RIDGE AND ATLANTIC RAILROAD.

This road reaches from Cornelia, on the Southern Railroad, to Tallulah Falls, and was originally a part of the Northeastern Railway property. Growing out of this fact is the claim of the State thereon to secure the payment of the bonds indorsed by the State on the Northeastern Railroad property. This claim, it is understood, will be contested

by those who at present claim the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad. The road is now in the hands of a receiver appointed by the United States court. It has been reported to me that one-half of it has been abandoned, and is not now being operated. It has been, and is now, a mooted question as to whether or not an effort to enforce the claim of the State will result in expense or benefit to the State. I respectfully suggest that a committee of the best business men in your body make an examination of this property, consider its connections and surroundings, and give directions whether or not the State shall proceed to enforce its claim thereon.

#### THE WESTERN AND ATLANTIC COMMISSION.

In pursuance of an act passed by the General Assembly in 1894, providing for a method of settling controversies between the State and other parties over property connected with the Western and Atlantic Railroad, I appointed as Commissioners to pass upon and determine such questions as might be submitted to them under the terms of the act, Hon. John L. Hopkins, of Fulton county; Hon. T. R. Jones, of Whitfield, and Hon. H. W. Hill, of Meriwether. There was submitted to them for adjustment a controversy over some railway property lying between Whitehall and Forsyth streets, in the city of Atlanta. The value of this property was very great, and the case was a long and tedious one, and hotly contested on both sides. After hearing evidence and argument the court decided the issues involved in favor of the State. The evidence is so voluminous that I have not deemed it advisable to go to the expense of printing. The finding of the Commission I have ordered printed, and will in a short time be placed before you. I have agreed, as authorized by law, to pay each of these Commissioners the sum of six hundred



(600) dollars, subject to your approval. I respectfully ask that your body make provision for the payment of this sum, and for other expenses incurred by the Commission to the amount of three hundred and fifty dollars and fifty cents.

#### PENSIONS.

I herewith submit to you a statement showing the amount of pensions paid to Confederate soldiers for each of the last three years. It will be seen, notwithstanding a number of deaths, that there has been an increase in this sum due to the fact that as they grow older their wounds and afflictions increase their disabilities and make it necessary for them to call upon the State for assistance:

#### MAIMED SOLDIERS.

	Number.	Amount.
Year ending 26th October, 1893 .....	3,222	\$185,000 00
Year ending 26th October, 1894.....	3,235	185,000 00
Year ending 26th October, 1895.....	3,369	190,000 00

The following table will show the amounts received by widows for each of the three years, during which they have received sixty dollars per annum:

#### WIDOWS.

	Number.	Amount.
Year ending 15th February, 1893.....	4,068	\$244,080 00
Year ending 15th February, 1894.....	3,997	239,820 00
Year ending 15th February, 1895.....	3,929	235,740 00

The decrease in the amount paid as pensions to the widows of Confederate soldiers has been about five thousand dollars per year.

#### PENSIONS UNDER ACT OF 1894.

Under the Act of the General Assembly providing for the payment of pensions to indigent soldiers, the number of applicants approved to date are 1,768, and new applications continue to arrive. To pay the claims already approved would require \$106,080. The appropriation made for the payment of this class of soldiers was only thirty thousand

dollars. Following the precedent established heretofore in cases where the appropriations fell far short of the demands for pensions, it was deemed wise not to pay out this thirty thousand dollars, and for that reason nothing has been paid under this Act. I submit to you these figures and leave to your wisdom to determine what shall be done. It is probable that it will take \$125,000 to meet the requirements of this Act. I cannot forbear saying that the motives which prompted the passage of this Act were generous, noble, and worthy the great State of which you are the accredited representatives. There is no class of our fellow citizens, no class of our pensioners, who are more deserving of the State's bounty than those who are entitled to pensions under the provisions of this Act, and I most earnestly recommend that you make provision for the payment of this class of pensioners.

#### TRANSFER OF PENSIONS TO OFFICE OF ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

The work in the Pension Department has grown to such an extent that it has become a great burden upon the limited clerical force in the Executive Department. It has been mentioned by my predecessors, and by one of them the recommendation was made that the Executive Department be released of this burden. As the Constitution limits the clerical expenses there we cannot for the purpose of doing this work increase the appropriations for the Executive office. I therefore recommend that you authorize the transfer of the entire work of the Pension Department to the office of the Adjutant-General, and that you provide a clerk for that department. At the time the Constitution limited the amount of expenditures in the Executive Department the State granted no pensions. The number of pensioners under all existing laws will be near to ten thousand and will require an enormous amount of labor. To

consider carefully every application, guard against imposition, and to do justice to every worthy petitioner is a delicate and arduous task which should not be done hastily or carelessly.

#### PENITENTIARY

The report of the Principal Keeper of the Penitentiary will give you all necessary information in reference to that important and growing department. It is gratifying to know, however, that during the last twelve months the increase in the number of convicts has been smaller than the year previous, and, with few exceptions, smaller than any year since the Lease Act went into effect. The greatest trouble with the lessees during the year just past has grown out of what is known as "trusties" in the convict service. From my knowledge of these camps and the way they are conducted, I am satisfied that it is wise to permit this to some extent under strict rules and limitations, but as to whether or not this practice of making trusties of some convicts is being abused is now a grave question. I have instructed the Principal Keeper and his assistant to make diligent inquiry into this custom, its use and abuse, and report to me with such recommendations as may in their judgment be wise.

The Principal Physician of the Penitentiary reports that, in his opinion, two of the camps now being operated in South Georgia may prove disastrous to the health of convicts which are required to labor therein. As both these are comparatively new camps, we have not as yet had sufficient opportunity to thoroughly determine this question to my satisfaction. I will have these camps closely cared for and take prompt action if the conditions should at any time demand it.

## ENFORCEMENT OF LAW.

The enforcement of the criminal laws of this State has been carried on for the last twelve months with gratifying results. On several occasions it has been found necessary to call out the militia. It affords me pleasure to say that in each instance the troops have borne themselves in a commendable and soldierly manner, and for their prompt and efficient services rendered on these occasions they are entitled to the thanks of the commonwealth.

## LYNCHING.

Since the day of my inauguration there have been five persons lynched in this State. In each instance the party lynched was charged with the same offense. No one has been lynched during my administration except for the crime of rape. I have vainly endeavored, by an appeal to the civil authorities and by offering rewards for the lynchers, to bring to trial some of these violators of the law; but neither an appeal to the courts nor the offering of rewards have had the desired effect. The courts have been unable to secure proof, and without this they are powerless to enforce the law. Our people are peculiarly situated. No civilized people on earth other than Southern States are surrounded as we are. Our country in many sections is thinly settled, and fully one-third of our population is composed of those who up to a few years ago were slaves, a large percentage of whom lack moral training, and have not the proper respect for law or the rights of others.

In some portions of the State our women in the country are constantly exposed to the brutal attack of the outlaw, who has respect for neither virtue nor law. It is for this reason that sometimes, when these outrages upon women do occur, people—who feel that the safety of our women depend upon prompt pun-

ishment, find their indignation uncontrollable and inflict penalties which should only be imposed by lawful authority after a trial by a court of justice. This is wrong. It sacrifices the good name of our State in the eyes of the civilized world, the good opinion of which should be desired by all. These mobs, by violating the law, create a spirit of lawlessness and indirectly increase the very crime which they seek to suppress. In several instances the parties lynched in this State have been taken from the hands of officers and most brutally, cruelly, and inhumanly treated. Such conduct cannot be too severely condemned. In my opinion it will be wise for the General Assembly to enact a law providing that wherever a person is taken from the hands of officers and maltreated or murdered, that the Governor be authorized to remove from office the man from whose custody he was taken, that the administrator or the family of the deceased shall have the right to recover from the county the full value of his life. The State has no right to permit its officers to take charge of a man, render him powerless to protect himself, and while in this helpless condition in the custody of the State to be taken by an armed mob and maltreated or murdered. In all such instances their legal representatives should have redress in the courts, with right to sue in any county adjoining the one where the offense was committed, and the Governor should be empowered, in his discretion, to remove the officer.

Such provision would make more active our law-abiding citizens in suppressing lawlessness and encouraging all of our people to resort to the courts for the punishment of the crime, even where the offense charged is the most brutal, the most dastardly and the most heinous. In each of the instances mentioned the party lynched has been a negro. What excuse can be given for this conduct when our race has control of the Legislature and of the courts, furnishing both the judges and the jurors? No white man should

insist upon the infliction of punishment in a case where he is unwilling to entrust the trial to the most intelligent and upright of his own race. If a fair trial cannot be had before these in a court of justice, how can one be justly and fairly had by a raving mob.

#### REFORMATION IN CRIMINAL LAWS.

I commend your action in promptly taking up at your previous session the matter of reformation of our criminal laws. If I am correctly informed a bill covering this subject has already passed the lower house.

I recommend that action be taken upon this measure at the earliest practicable moment in order that such changes in the criminal laws as may be made may be embodied in the codification of our laws which is soon to be published.

#### DIRECT TAXES.

Herewith I furnish you statement of direct tax refunded by the Federal Government to the State of Georgia, to be disbursed to such of her citizens as were entitled to it under the provisions of the act of Congress :

Total amount received by State	..	..	..\$83,031 03
Balance in Treasury October 18, 1895 ..			19,031 03
Amount paid out during my administration			694 27

#### GEORGIA EXPERIMENT STATION.

The expenses of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Experiment Station are now paid by the State. As this institution receives from the Federal Government fifteen thousand dollars annually, and the State has already furnished the farm and erected its buildings, it is entirely proper that the expenses of the meetings of this Board be paid out of the funds at their

command. If the fund received from the Federal Government cannot be used for this purpose—and I see no reason why it should not—it should be paid from the products of the farm. The sum paid annually to this Board of Directors, covering their expenses, amounts to about eight hundred dollars—a sum worth saving to the State.

#### VIOLATION OF TREATY WITH SWEDEN AND NORWAY

I transmit herewith letters with accompanying documents from the Secretary of State of the United States requesting that Georgia make indemnity for the violation at Brunswick of the treaty of the United States with Sweden and Norway. I called upon the Honorable Secretary of State to furnish me with some precedent where States had been called upon and paid the indemnity in such cases. He has, however, failed to furnish me with this information. The relation of our people with foreign governments is regulated by international law and treaties entered into by the United States. For a violation of these laws and obligations the United States is responsible to the foreign governments, and unless the Secretary can furnish some authority to justify the demand that the State of Georgia pay in this case, this amount, I cannot advise its payment. I, however, furnish you with the documents giving all the information at my command, knowing that after making thorough investigation that you will dispose of it as is just and wise. If, in your judgement, it is proper that the State of Georgia pay this, you are requested to make the needed appropriation.

#### EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

The educational institutions of Georgia, though not perfect, show such progress as to furnish cause for just pride. The convention of the County School Commissioners held in

the hall of the House of Representatives but a few days since furnishes high evidence of the improvement of our schools and the progress being made by the various counties in securing efficient County School Commissioners. It was an intelligent body of earnest men, who impressed all who looked upon them, not only Georgians but strangers, that our common schools are in the control of competent men. The progress in this respect was cheering and means much. The common school fund for this year is as follows :

## SCHOOL FUND FOR THE YEAR 1895.

Sources.	Amount.
Liquor tax. . . . .	\$ 102,000 00
Show tax . . . . .	1,500 00
Dividends, Georgia Railroad stock. . . . .	2,046 00
Hire of convicts. . . . .	15,000 00
Fees oil inspectors.. . . .	17,500 00
One-half rental W & A. R. R.... .	210,006 00
Direct appropriation.. . . .	600,000 00
Poll tax.. . . .	208,000 00
Aggregate...	\$1,156,052 00

Add to this \$500,000, the total amount raised by local taxation in various counties and cities, and we have as the total amount raised by taxation in the State for educational purposes \$1,656,052.00. This great interest merits your careful attention and substantial aid. While heartily favoring continued increase in the aid of the State to our common schools, I recommend that you take such steps as will encourage counties and localities to co-operate with the State in seeking to upbuild the common schools. There is no better work in which you can engage as legislators. If we can secure the hearty co-operation of the citizens of this State and induce them by local taxation voluntarily impose upon themselves by the people of each locality to co-operate with the State and aid us in completing and perfecting our common school system until the State is



able of itself to run an eight months' school, you will accomplish a great work for the children of Georgia and for the State.

I commend to your consideration, as especially worthy of your encouragement, the North Georgia Agricultural College at Dahlonega, the State Normal School of Athens, the Georgia Normal and Industrial College at Milledgeville, the School of Technology at Atlanta, and the University of Georgia at Athens. In my opinion, the great need of most of these institutions is buildings. At the last session of the General Assembly I called your attention to the great need of additional boarding apartments at the Georgia Normal and Industrial College.

While embarrassed by the present condition of the treasury, I cannot forbear calling your attention again to this matter. You have made the appropriation to employ the teachers, to secure all necessary appliances, and yet for the want of building a very large number of the class of girls whom we are most anxious to aid are unable to attend, because unable to pay the board required of them when boarding outside of the college building.

#### COLORED SCHOOL AT SAVANNAH.

I had the pleasure of attending the commencement exercises of this institution, and was highly pleased with the result of the work of the students as exhibited on this occasion. The members of the Board of Commissioners are to be commended for their zeal in behalf of the success of this institution, which means so much to the colored people of Georgia.

I respectfully recommend that this school be opened to both males and females, and that greater facilities be afforded for the training of teachers. We have assumed the obligation, and properly assumed it, to educate this class of

our fellow-citizens, and cannot overlook the great need of normal training among their teachers, nor underestimate the importance of having them under the guidance of friendly influences. I earnestly recommend that a large part of the work of this State institution be devoted to the training of teachers who may go out and take charge of the colored schools, and that the State make ample provision to enable this institution to afford the ample facilities to fulfill its mission.

#### CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

I invite your attention to the reports and recommendations from the Lunatic Asylum, Deaf and Dumb Institute, and the Academy for the Blind, and respectfully ask that you give to each of these institutions all needed aid. It would be wise to add two members to the Board of Trustees to the Lunatic Asylum. The enormous expenditures of money necessary to sustain this charity, and the large number of inmates from every part of the State, make it important to have enough members on the Board to distribute between the various sections of the State, and there should be at least two so near the Asylum that they can at any time be consulted when emergencies arise upon which the superintendent and other officers do not deem it safe to act without advice from the Board of Trustees.

#### BONDS OF COUNTY OFFICERS.

It is the practice in many counties to receive as sureties on the bonds of the public officers security companies, whose main offices are in other States. I invite your attention to this practice, and to the great evils which may accrue therefrom. I recommend that each of such companies doing business in Georgia should be required to make a deposit with this State in a manner similar to that now exacted of insurance companies.

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Now that the great evil of frequent elections is fully realized, I call your attention to the fact that in case of the death of the Governor under existing laws, it would be necessary to hold a special election in order to elect a successor. This would involve the people in enormous expense, annoyance and sacrifice of business. I recommend that the constitution be so amended as to provide for the election of a Lieutenant Governor at the same time that the Governor and State House officers are elected.

## ELECTION LAWS.

I congratulate you upon the progress made in the improvement of our election laws, and advise that you continue in this work until every imperfection is corrected. In addition to such legislation as may be passed by you regulating the holding of elections, it would, in my opinion, be wise if the Constitution should be so changed as to provide that contests for seats in the General Assembly be heard before the judges of the superior courts, with right of appeal to the supreme court. Those who have had experience with contests in the General Assembly will readily concede that a fairer and more just conclusion can be reached before the courts than can be ordinarily expected from the decision of partisan bodies.

## SUPREME COURT.

The accumulation of business in the Supreme Court of our State has for a number of years caused considerable public discussion, but as yet no solution has been reached. In my opinion, the action of the people in voting down the amendment to the Constitution, providing for two additional Judges to the Supreme Court was wise. That amendment would have burdened us with two salaried officers

and left the difficulty on our hands and the problem unsolved. The business of the court has increased, as you will see from the table attached, to such an extent that one court cannot properly do the work. It may decide the cases, but it cannot thoroughly investigate every case and give to each question the thought to which it is entitled.

## STATISTICS OF BUSINESS IN THE SUPREME COURT.

Year.	On Dockets.	DISPOSED OF			
		By Opinions.		Otherwise.	
1890	547	399	73%	148	27%
1891	529	445	84%	84	16%
1892	667	563	84%	104	16%
1893	698	597	86%	101	14%
1894	723	626	87%	97	13%

1895.—To this date, October 18th, 796 cases have been docketed. Of these, 308 have been disposed of.

If the business of the court is not diminished by placing additional restrictions upon litigants to prevent their reaching that court, relief to the Supreme Court must come not from increasing the number of judges, but by the establishment of another court. If a separate court is established each case can then be properly and thoroughly discussed, the principles involved intelligently and wisely settled, and our courts command more completely the respect and confidence of our own people and the admiration of people of other States.

## (A) "FORMER RECOMENDATIONS."

Without tiring you with repetition, I call your attention to the recommendations made you in my former message, and especially to those relating to the equalization of the work of judicial circuits, the necessity of more speedy action of our courts, the need of State supervision of mis-

demeanor convicts and the great need of the correction of the evils growing out of, and incident to the fee system.

#### IN CONCLUSION.

The foregoing information and recommendations, together with the reports from each department and institution, which will be placed before you, are submitted to you for consideration. In our government responsibility for the conduct of public affairs rests upon the party in power. In this State the people have entrusted with the management of the commonwealth the Democratic party, to which a majority of each House of the General Assembly owe their allegiance. I know I can confidently rely upon these representatives to enter upon the discharge of their important duties with courage and wisdom, and I sincerely hope that in the discharge of the high trusts confided to them they will have the hearty co-operation of the members of all political parties.

W. Y. ATKINSON, Governor.

#### CLEMENCY.

The following list contains the names of persons to whom clemency has been extended since my message in 1894, together with the reasons for action in each case :

GEORGE BIRD.—Convicted of assault with intent to murder, November term, 1894, Troup county ; sentence, two years. Pardoned upon recommendation of many citizens, also of judge and solicitor-general.

L. N. CHASTAIN.—Convicted of carrying concealed weapons, Gilmer county ; sentence, two months in chain-gang. Pardoned upon recommendation of judge, solicitor-general, and a large number of petitioners.

ERWIN GREEN.—Convicted of horse stealing, April term, 1892 ; sentence, 11 years. After two years' service, with a good prison record, pardoned upon urgent recommendation of judge, solicitor-general, a majority of trial jury, the prosecutor, senator, representative from that county in present General Assembly, and the principal physician of the penitentiary.

JOHN ANGUS WILLIAMS.—Convicted of burglary, spring term, 1893, Fulton county ; sentence, three years. At time of commission of crime very young, and pardoned because earnestly requested by judge and solicitor-general on account of age.

GUS PENRIFAY.—Convicted of assault and battery, October term, 1894, county court of Jasper county ; sentence, \$60 fine or twelve months on chain-gang. Pardoned on petition signed by presiding judge, the solicitor, county officers, and large number of citizens, representing that Penrifay was afflicted with an incurable disease, and attending physician thought that humanity demanded his release.

JOE OZBURN.—Convicted of murder, September term, 1891, Newton county ; sentence, life. Pardoned because he had received a serious injury, which resulted in complete paralysis of his lower extremities, and the principal physician of the penitentiary reported that his condition was pitiable and deplorable, and the penitentiary committee of the House of Representatives, in the present General Assembly, unanimously recommended his pardon.

ISAAC SLAPPY.—Convicted of assault and battery, July term, 1894, county court Houston county ; sentence, \$75 or twelve months on chain-gang. Pardoned because of good behavior and the capture of a desperate criminal, and upon the recommendation of the county judge and solicitor, the county officers, and many citizens.

GEORGE W MOORE.—Convicted of retailing liquor without license, April term, 1894, Emanuel county; sentence, \$500 fine or twelve months on chain-gang. Pardoned after serving eight months' sentence upon affidavits made by two reputable physicians that his health was greatly impaired, that he is quite old, and also upon recommendation of judge and solicitor-general.

JOHN H. MARTIN.—Convicted of malicious mischief, June term, 1894, city court of Jackson county; sentence, fine \$50.00 and costs, or twelve months in the county chain-gang. Pardoned because evidence does not disclose a purpose to violate the law, though the defendant was perhaps technically guilty, and after his conviction he became blind, and the judge who presided at the trial urgently recommended executive clemency.

JOSEPH F MILLER.—Convicted of "shooting at another not in his own defense," June term, 1894, Chatham county; sentenced to confinement in the county jail for one year. Pardoned upon certificate of jail physician that Miller was in a critical mental and physical condition, and upon recommendation of judge and solicitor-general.

SIDNEY LILIENTHAL.—Plead guilty in superior court of Chatham county of larceny from the person; sentence, three years. After serving twenty months, pardoned upon recommendation of judge and the expressed doubts about the offense being really a felony.

WILLIAM GIBSON.—Convicted of larceny from the house, Towns county; sentence, twelve months. Having served more than two-thirds of his term, his prison record being good, and the judge and solicitor-general so recommending, he was pardoned.

JORDAN NEELY.—Convicted of assault with intent to murder, March term, 1893, Coweta county; sentence, two years. Long known to the Governor as a good citizen, and in consideration of facts and circumstances surrounding him at time of commission of crime as developed at the trial, which was heard by the Governor, and of his good record since confinement, and believing that the law was fully vindicated, he was pardoned.

JOHN HAYES.—Convicted of an assault with intent to murder, fall term, 1893, Fulton county; sentence, four years. Assault made under circumstances of great provocation, defendant's wife having been grossly insulted and assaulted by the party on whom defendant made assault. The trial jury filed a strong appeal for clemency, and the solicitor prosecuting the case recommended the same, and Hayes having served more than ten months of his sentence, was pardoned.

NAT PORTER.—Convicted of gambling, county court, Dodge county; sentence, nine months on chain-gang. He received an unmerciful whipping from authorities of chain-gang, causing painful wounds upon his body, and the county judge and solicitor having so recommended, he was pardoned.

ROMOLIS CLOWER.—Convicted of selling spirituous liquors without license, April term, 1894, Jones county; sentence, \$50 fine, or six months in the chain-gang. He became totally blind, and for that reason the authorities had not been able to dispose of him in any chain-gang, and he had been in jail nine months. Pardon recommended by the ordinary, judge, and solicitor of the county court, and sheriff.



JOHN JOHNSON.—Convicted of violation of the liquor laws, January term, city court of Clarke county. Two sentences; one, fine, \$100 and costs, or eight months on chain-gang; second, \$500 and costs, or twelve months on the chain-gang. Pardoned after serving eight months, upon recommendation of judge, solicitor, county officials, and many citizens. His health very bad, and he was entirely unable to pay fine.

HENRY WEHUNT.—Convicted of rape, September term, 1891, Cherokee county; sentence, fifteen years. Testimony shows that there was considerable doubt as to whether the offense was rape or not, as there was no evidence of force or violence being used. Judge and solicitor-general urged pardon, they both being doubtful about the guilt of the defendant. Petition signed by nine jurors, all the county officials, eleven ministers, and more than five hundred citizens living in the neighborhood where the crime is alleged to have been committed.

ED PETTY.—Convicted of larceny, September term, 1891, criminal court of Atlanta; sentence, twelve months on the chain-gang. New evidence showing innocence of prisoner, and pardon recommended by judge and solicitor.

ROBERT HENDRIX or HENRY KENNY.—Convicted of burglary, October term, 1892, Fulton county; sentence, three years. After serving half his sentence pardoned upon recommendation of judge, solicitor-general, and prosecutor.

WILEY O'KELLY.—Convicted of aiding a prisoner to escape, May term, 1894, Douglas county; sentence, one year. Had served two-thirds of sentence and his conduct good. Pardon recommended by judge, solicitor-general, trial jury, a number of the grand jury, and the prosecutor.

ROBERT HARRINGTON.—Convicted of larceny from the house, September term, 1894, Gwinnett county; sentence, twelve months on chain-gang. Physical condition such that he could not bear hardships of a convict camp. Pardoned at recommendation of judge and solicitor-general.

JOHN H. TAYLOR.—Convicted of larceny after trust, April term, 1894, Irwin county; sentence, one year. Pardoned after serving three-fourths of his sentence upon a petition numerously signed setting forth the fact that the amount stolen was small and that his conduct since confinement has been exemplary. Application also indorsed by the judge.

ROBERT HEATH.—Convicted of voluntary manslaughter, fall term, 1893, Schley county; sentence, fifteen years. Pardon recommended by grand jury, petit jury, the father of the man killed, and a large number of good and law-abiding citizens. The evidence leaves considerable doubt as to the guilt of the prisoner.

\* JAMES SHEATS.—Convicted of assault with intent to murder, February term, 1892, Milton county; sentence, ten years. Pardoned upon recommendation grand jury, judge, and solicitor, the defendant having always borne an excellent reputation prior to this trouble.

CHAS. THWEATT.—Convicted of simple larceny, adjourned term, August, 1891, Monroe county; sentence, five years. Good character before conviction, good behavior since. Recommendation judge and solicitor-general. Served four of his five years' sentence.

HARDY WHEELIS.—Convicted of simple larceny, December term, 1892, Oglethorpe county; sentence, twelve years. Pardoned upon request of judge, solicitor-general, grand jury, traverse jury, and prosecutor. Defendant quite young when crime was committed.

LAURA PAYNE.—Convicted of forgery, spring term, 1893, Fulton county ; sentence, three years. In a wretched physical condition, suffering from an incurable malady.

CHARLES JOHNSTON.—Plead guilty to burglary, spring term, 1894, Jasper county ; sentence, three years. Pardoned upon application of judge, solicitor-general, and a large number of good and law-abiding citizens.

JAMES LANDSBERG.—Convicted of assault with intent to rape, March term, 1892, Chatham county ; sentence, twelve years. Petition for pardon signed by eleven of trial jury (twelfth member being dead), by mayor and aldermen of the town where lives the girl upon whom assault was made, numerously signed by citizens of said town, including the ladies and all the ministers of the gospel of Hazelhurst, by all the county officers of the county of Appling, where said girl resides ; signed by the father of the girl, by a large number of the best citizens of Chatham county, where the crime was committed, by a large majority of the members of the legislature, and especially urged by the three members and the senator from Chatham county, and the member from Appling county Served about three and one-half years.

AARON FAMBRO.—Convicted of assault and battery, spring term, 1895, Spalding county ; sentence, three months in chain-gang. Shown that Fambro is a physical and mental wreck and would hardly survive sentence. Pardon earnestly requested by judge, solicitor-general, and many good citizens of Spalding county.

MANUEL CHOICE.—Convicted of burglary, spring term, 1892, Hancock county ; sentence, ten years. Convicted upon a supposed state of facts, since found not to exist, and the prosecutor and prosecuting attorney represent that, in

their opinion, in the light of new facts, the defendant is not guilty. Prior to his trouble bore a good reputation and had conducted himself well in penitentiary.

T. E. HAYNES.—Convicted of bigamy, February term, 1893, Johnson county ; sentence, three years. Petition for pardon signed by judge, solicitor-general, grand jury, petit jury, four-fifths of the citizens of Johnson county

H. S. MOORE, JR.—Convicted of murder, April term, 1889, Fulton county ; sentence, life. Pardon urged by three prosecuting attorneys, including solicitor-general, the jury who tried him, and five thousand citizens of northwest Georgia, including county officials, representatives and ex-representatives, a number of relatives of the deceased. Also shown that Moore is suffering with an incurable scrofulous disease, and that it calls for a treatment and surroundings that cannot be accorded him in the penitentiary. The evidence, discloses extenuating circumstances. His conduct exemplary during his six years of confinement.

M. J. ROBERTS.—Convicted of burglary, spring term, 1894, Fulton county ; sentence, three years. At time of commission of crime very much intoxicated, the amount taken small, and up to that time had borne a good reputation. Application indorsed by judge, solicitor-general, and prosecutor.

BARNEY WHITE.—Convicted of murder ; pardoned because he could live only a short while. Suffering with consumption. Application signed by one thousand citizens, by solicitor-general, and officials of the court.

SUSIE MARKS.—Convicted of larceny, superior court of Muscogee county ; sentence, eight months on the chain-gang. Pardon upon affidavit of county physician that she

would soon be delivered of a child, and upon recommendation of judge, solicitor-general, and all county officers.

GEORGE REYNOLDS.—Convicted in the criminal court of Atlanta, August 25, 1894, larceny; sentence twelve months in chain-gang. Pardon upon affidavit of county physician that he was suffering from consumption, and was in a very serious condition. Judge signed application.

MARSHAL O'NEAL.—Convicted of burglary, March term, 1888, Talbot county; sentence, ten years. Pardon upon request of solicitor-general who prosecuted the case, and of the present solicitor-general, and because O'Neal had lost one of his hands while blasting.

LIGE OSBORNE.—Convicted of pointing a gun at another, county court of Quitman county; sentence, five months in chain-gang. Application recommended by judge and prosecutor.

JOHN PARKER.—Convicted of burglary, October term, 1892, Lumpkin county; sentence, three years. A very old man and had conducted himself well during his confinement of over two and one half years.

W P SMITH.—Convicted of horse stealing. February term, 1893, Walker county; sentence, five years. Having served two years for same offense in Tennessee and two years of his sentence in this State, pardoned.

EUGENE HOWARD.—Convicted of larceny from the house, county court of Thomas county, March, 1895; sentence, \$25.00 fine, or two months in chain-gang. Pardoned upon recommendation of judge and many citizens, and it appearing that his family was in reduced circumstances.

JOHN LUDDITH.—Convicted of misdemeanor. Bartow superior court; sentence, twelve months in the chain-gang. Judge and solicitor-general asked for pardon upon ground that Luddith was a physical wreck.

WALKER ALLEN.—Convicted of selling whisky in violation of law. DeKalb county; sentence, twelve months in chain-gang. Recommended by solicitor-general. Since his confinement, his wife has died and one of his children lost a foot by being run over by a train. Several more minor children who need his care and are dependent upon him for a support.

BOB PARSONS.—Convicted of bastardy, criminal court city of Atlanta, March, 1895; sentence, \$250 fine or nine months on chain-gang. Since his conviction married the girl and legitimized the child, and the judge and prosecutor asked for the pardon.

JERRY MOORE.—Convicted of burglary, August term, 1893, Murray county; sentence, penitentiary. Judge who presided says that the verdict ought to have been larceny from the house, and the solicitor-general and prosecutor recommended executive clemency.

JOSEPH HOPKINS.—Convicted of murder, March term, 1888, Rabun county; sentence, life. Pardon recommended by judge and solicitor-general, the judge stating that the verdict might have been for a lesser offense. The testimony shows that the rock that struck the fatal blow was thrown by the brother of Joseph Hopkins. Conduct during confinement exemplary.

CHAS. T. TRICE.—Convicted of manslaughter in superior court of Pike county; sentence, 13 years. Evidence shows that killing was done in the heat of passion, that at the time of the killing the deceased was advancing upon defendant with an open knife, and that there was an instant

evidence of grief by defendant for the killing of his brother. The presiding judge, in a letter to the executive, stated that the sentence was for a longer time than the law required. His pardon asked for by the members of a Christian church in the neighborhood where defendant and deceased lived, by the minister in charge of the church, by all the jurors who convicted him, by the prosecutor, the wife of the deceased, by the attorney who prosecuted the case, and the solicitor-general *pro tem.*, by a petition signed by 300 citizens of the county where the conviction was had. His conduct exemplary

WILLIAM WHITLOCK.—Convicted of misdemeanor, county court of Elbert county, August, 1894; sentence, 12 months in chain-gang. Pardoned in consideration of the fact that the defendant is quite a youth, about 13 years of age, that he pleaded guilty to the offense, and that he is a simple, weak-minded boy.

GEORGE BOYD.—Plead guilty of bigamy, November term, 1895, Troup county; sentence, two years. It seems that said Boyd is a very ignorant negro and acted upon the advice of his employer, and that he did not realize the enormity of his crime. Pardon urged by judge and solicitor-general and many citizens.

WASHINGTON WILLIE—Convicted of larceny from the house, spring term, 1895, of Fulton superior court; sentence, twelve months. Pardoned upon affidavit of county physician that he had become violently insane.

LOUIS RENDER—Convicted of arson, spring term, 1887, Meriwether county; sentence, twelve years. Pardoned upon affidavit of camp physician that Render was in the last stages of consumption and the request of other camp officers and the solicitor-general.

ADAM DAVIS.—Convicted of carrying concealed weapons, county court of Chattooga county, April 9, 1895; sentence, six months on chain-gang. Pardoned upon application of many citizens of Chattooga and affidavit of county physician that Davis was in bad health.

JIM DAVIS.—Convicted of using opprobrious words, county court of Chattooga county, April 9, 1895; sentence, six months in chain-gang. Pardoned upon a numerously signed petition from the citizens and upon affidavit of county physician that Davis is suffering with heart disease and that further confinement would be fatal.

SAM SLEDGE.—Convicted of assault, November term, 1894, Bibb county; sentence, six months in jail and afterwards twelve months in chain-gang. Been in jail twelve months, suffering terribly with rheumatism, has lost the sight of one eye, and his pardon asked for by judge, solicitor-general, six of the jury and a number of law-abiding citizens.

HARDY BRAGG.—Convicted of arson, May term, 1894, Screven county; sentence, three years. October the time offense was committed. Bragg was only twelve years of age and he was induced to commit it by an adult relative. Petition indorsed by judge, solicitor-general, and a large number of citizens.

J. R. PHILLIPS.—Convicted of larceny, May term, 1894, Catoosa county; sentence, two years. After serving over one half of his sentence, pardoned upon request of the judge, solicitor-general, prosecutor, ten of the jury, all of the county officers and numerous citizens. Exemplary conduct since confinement.

C. B. BALTON.—Convicted of larceny from the house and simply larceny, county court of Walton county; three sentences aggregating thirty months on chain-gang. The



value of the goods stated only seven dollars in all, and he had served about two years of sentence.

WILL SMITH.—Convicted of kidnapping, May term, 1895, Brooks superior court; sentenced to chain-gang. When first arrested after crime, was taken by a mob of negroes and severely beaten, causing permanent injuries. Proofs submitted that he is weak-minded and that the testimony at his trial was highly colored by prejudice. Pardon asked for by the grand jury, judge, solicitor-general, trial jury, sheriff, ordinary, clerk, county court judge and solicitor, prosecutor and fifty-two citizens of Catoosa county.

WALTER S. HILL.—Convicted of larceny, May term, 1895, city court of Atlanta; sentence, nine months in chain-gang. After serving three months of sentence, his health became such that a delicate operation should be performed, and upon recommendation of judge and solicitor was pardoned.

WILL PATRICK.—Convicted of burglary, October term, 1891, Oglethorpe county; sentence, fifteen years. Goods taken of small value. Conduct since confinement exemplary. Pardon asked for by prosecutor, part of grand jury, trial jury, judge and solicitor-general, and county officers.

JAMES HENNESSEE.—Convicted of robbery, fall term, 1891, Fulton county; sentence, five years. Judge and solicitor-general request executive clemency on account of Hennessee's heroic efforts to save life and property at the burning of the mills of the Enterprise Lumber Company, and also because of his excellent conduct as attested by penitentiary officials. His habits good before his trouble. and the evidence upon which he was convicted largely circumstantial.

CICERO REESE.—Convicted of larceny, December term, 1894, Cherokee county; sentence, ten months in chain-gang. Pardoned because of a serious attack of fever. Good character previous to conviction; good conduct since confinement. Recommended by solicitor-general and many citizens.

HENRY WARD.—Convicted of carrying concealed weapons, January term, 1895, of Dougherty county court; sentence, 12 months on chain-gang. Suffering from consumption, and, in opinion of county physician, can't live. Recommended by county physician, chairman board of county commissioners, sheriff, clerk, county solicitor, and county judge.

LOUIS CHARBOUNE.—Convicted of bigamy, spring term, 1893, Fulton county; sentence, three years. He is a foreigner, and was unacquainted with the laws and customs of Georgia. The solicitor-general recommends his pardon, penitentiary officials urge it because of his most exemplary conduct, and since the father of the girl whom he married signed the petition. Pardoned.

J. B. MOODY.—Convicted of selling liquor without license, spring term, 1893, Douglas county; sentence on these indictments, 3 years. Petition numerously signed by good and law-abiding citizens. A separate petition, signed by the county officers, the senator from the 36th district, the representative from Douglas. Physician makes affidavit that Moody is suffering from inflammatory rheumatism.

ROBERT STITH.—Convicted of murder, August term, 1892, Dodge county; sentence, life. Crime claimed to have been committed at Eastman seat. Evidence for prosecution not certain as to Stith's identity, and very strong

to establish alibi. The chief witness for the State admits that he might have been mistaken. Judge and solicitor-general and trial jury recommend the pardon.

GLENN TOTHEROW.—Convicted of burglary, spring term, 1893, Gordon county; sentence, six years. The amount stolen inconsiderable, and shown that Totherow is of unsound mind. He had served two years, and pardon recommended by solicitor-general.

WADE HAMPTON.—Convicted of burglary, October term, 1893, Fulton county; sentence, five years. At time of his conviction was a mere child, and since confinement has lost a leg. Application for pardon indorsed by judge and several of the county officers. Pardoned after serving one-half of his sentence.

JOHN KIMBALL.—Convicted of larceny from the house, superior court of Fulton county; sentence, twelve months in chain-gang. Pardoned October 8, 1895, upon affidavit of superintendent of public works and the county officers that there has developed upon his body tertiary syphilis, and is a nuisance, from the loathsomeness of the disease, to the other convicts. Pardon recommended by judge.

### RESPITES.

MONROE MITCHELL.—Convicted of murder, March term, 1894, of the superior court of Berrien county; sentenced to be executed on Friday, 7th day of December. A numerous signed petition by many good and law-abiding citizens presented, asking for commutation of sentence to life imprisonment, and this request being also joined in by the senator and representative, respited December 6th until Friday, 4th of January, 1895, in order to give proper consideration to facts in case.

EDDIE DAVIS.—Convicted of murder, Chatham superior court; sentenced to be executed January 18, 1895. Respite January 18, 1895, thirty days, a request being made to suspend execution of said sentence in order that certain facts might be placed before the Governor.

JOHN FORD.—Convicted of murder, superior court Decatur county; sentenced to be executed June 21, 1895. Respite granted for thirty days, June 17, 1895, new evidence discovered bearing on the case. Respite a second time, July 15, 1895, until Friday, 30th day of August, 1895, the Governor's sickness having prevented consideration of the case during time of first respite.

ELIZABETH NOBLES.—Convicted of murder, special term of superior court of Twiggs county, July, 1895; sentenced to be executed August 16, 1895. Court adjourned on the same day that order for execution was issued, and before motion for new trial could be made; and since no motion for new trial can be made before the regular term of the court after that adjournment, which regular term will not convene before October, a date after the execution would have been made, a respite granted August 14, 1895, until October 18, 1895.

GUS FAMBLES.—Convicted of murder, special term superior court of Twiggs county, July, 1895; sentenced to be executed August 16, 1895. Petition for commutation of sentence filed, and it being impossible to obtain a copy of the evidence before the day of execution, and that it is necessary to a correct determination of the case, respite granted 14th August, 1895, until October 18, 1895.

#### DISABILITIES REMOVED.

WILLIAM MUNDAY.—Convicted of malpractice in the office of notary public and ex-officio justice of the peace,

July term, 1894, city court of Columbus; sentence removed from office and a fine of \$1.00. Disabilities removed November 30, 1894, upon request judge superior court, judge and solicitor of city court, and many citizens.

JOE BRANCH.—Convicted of aiding an escape, November term, 1887, Marion county; sentence, one year. Disabilities removed December 12, 1894, after serving said sentence, upon an application signed by solicitor-general, by representative and senator in General Assembly and by a number of citizens.

GEORGE BLEDSOE.—Convicted of simple larceny, 10th of March, 1885, Greene county; sentence, twelve months in chain-gang. Sentence was fully discharged, and it appearing that, from the written statements of the county officials, since his discharge he has conducted himself honestly and uprightly, his disabilities were removed and privileges as an elector restored December 24, 1894.

NELSON MILLER.—Convicted of simple larceny, county court of Greene county, 1881; sentence imposed was fully discharged, and it appearing from written statements of county officials that he has conducted himself as a good and upright citizen, disabilities removed December 26, 1894.

BERRY BURT.—Convicted of larceny, superior court of Pike county; sentence, twelve months in chain-gang. After he had fully discharged said sentence, a number of respectable and law-abiding citizens having recommended it, his disabilities removed December 31, 1894.

JAMES SMITH.—Convicted of larceny from the house, September term, 1893, Chattahoochee county; sentence, twelve months on chain-gang. Sentence fully discharged,

and it appearing that he has conducted himself well since his discharge, disabilities removed January 24, 1895.

LEWIS PRICE.—Convicted of simple larceny, spring term, 1891, Oconee county; sentenced to pay a fine of \$86.50, or serve 12 months on chain-gang. Fine paid in full, and Price having borne a good reputation previous to offense, and since offense has been an upright and law-abiding citizen, disabilities removed February 20, 1895.

C. E. HILL.—Convicted of burglary, spring term, 1894, Cobb county; sentence, one year in penitentiary. Fully discharged his sentence, and it appearing that his character was good previous to crime, and his conduct since has been honest and upright, disabilities removed February 26, 1895.

F. E. BABBITT.—Convicted of forgery, January term, 1893, Chatham superior court; sentence, three years. Sentence fully discharged, and upon the urgent request of general manager of camp where Babbitt was confined, and the principal keeper of the penitentiary, disabilities removed September 3, 1895.

J. H. IRVIN.—Convicted of larceny, superior court of Hall county. Having discharged his sentence, and upon petition of the county officers of Hall county, the judge and solicitor-general, and the representatives, disabilities removed September 12, 1895.

#### COMMUTATIONS.

B. F. MALCOLM.—Convicted of selling or otherwise disposing of mortgaged property, November term, 1894, county court of Walton county; sentenced pay a fine of \$183.54, or to work twelve months in the chain-gang. Application made for executive clemency bearing the sig-

nature of the solicitor of said court and a large number of citizens, and there being some doubt as to defendant's intention to violate the law, the sentence commuted to a fine of \$91.77

**JOSIE PITTMAN.**—Convicted of assault and battery, September term, 1894, of the criminal court of Atlanta; sentenced pay a fine of \$50 and costs, or to work six months in chain-gang. After serving three and a half months, upon application of judge, sentence commuted to fine of \$20.

**DOC BALDWIN.**—Convicted of murder, November term, 1894, superior court of Wayne county; sentenced to be executed January 11, 1895. Evidence showed that Baldwin had reason to believe that the deceased intended to take his life and acted to a certain extent in self-defense, and the judge and solicitor-general recommending such action, sentence commuted to life imprisonment January 8, 1895.

**EDDIE DAVIS.**—Convicted of murder, Chatham superior court; sentenced to be executed January 18, 1895. Respited until February, 1895. Sentence commuted to life imprisonment February 6, 1895. New evidence found after sentence imposed that was mitigating. Recommended by county and city officials, by solicitor-general, and many citizens of Chatham county.

**CHAS. M. CARLEY.**—Convicted of shooting at another, October term, 1893, Rockdale county; sentenced to pay a fine of \$300 and costs. Upon application of many citizens, sentence commuted, February 16, 1895, to the payment of \$160, in addition to the amount already paid.

**H. G. HARDISON.**—Convicted of violating the liquor laws, fall term, 1894, Crawford county; sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000, or twelve months in chain-gang. Upon

application of many citizens, sentence commuted, February 28, 1895, to the payment of \$500.

LIS BOWERS.—Convicted of assault and battery, March term, 1895, Franklin county; sentence, fine of \$20 and proportionate costs, or to serve 12 months in chain-gang. Commuted to the payment of \$20 and costs, April 23, 1895.

JOSEPH HOPKINS.—Convicted of murder, March term, 1888, Rabun county; sentenced to penitentiary for life. Sentence commuted, April 27, 1895, to ten years, upon recommendation of judge and solicitor-general, and it appearing that the fatal blow was struck by another, and the conduct of Hopkins since confinement having been exemplary.

WILLIAM WHITLOCK.—Convicted of a misdemeanor, county court of Elbert county, August, 1894; sentence, twelve months in chain-gang. At the time of commission of offense defendant very young, simple, and weak-minded. Sentence commuted to ten months May 14, 1895.

ED BIRD.—Convicted of larceny from the house, spring term, 1894, Fulton county; sentence, twelve months in chain-gang. After conviction he remained in jail through no fault of his for three months and ten days and then served eight months on chain-gang, and judge and solicitor-general so recommending, sentence commuted, June 8, 1895, to time already served.

GLENN McCORD.—Convicted of perjury, fall term, 1889, Fulton county; sentence, eight years. Sentence two or three years longer than the usual sentence for that offense, and in consideration of his exemplary conduct since his confinement and his good character previous to his conviction, and the fact that the solicitor-general and the county and city officers, and a great many good and law-abiding



citizens recommend his pardon, sentence commuted to six years and ten months.

R. A. CROOMS.—Convicted of assault and battery, fall term, 1895, Bibb superior court; sentenced to be confined in the common jail for six months, and after the expiration of that time to serve twelve months on the chain-gang. Commuted to the payment of \$100 fine and service of four months in the chain-gang.

HERRY BRYANT.—Convicted of assault, city court of Atlanta; sentence, six months in chain-gang. Sentence commuted August 12, 1895, to confinement in the common jail for thirty days because of bad health and the recommendation of the judge and many court officials.

JAMES E. SHEELEY.—Convicted of forgery, July term, 1895, superior court of Bartow; sentence, two years. Offense committed in the extremities of poverty, the loss to prosecutor small, and he, with the judge and solicitor-general, having asked for executive clemency, sentence commuted September 3, 1895, to twelve months from the time of his incarceration.

HENRY SMITH.—Convicted of forgery, August term, 1892, Spalding county; sentence, five years. Evidence shows that case was not an aggravated one, the amount involved being small, and he was detected before any injury was done. Executive clemency recommended by judge and solicitor general, and conduct having been excellent since confinement, sentence commuted September 3, 1895, to three years and six months from the time of his confinement.

WASH. DAVIS.—Convicted of an attempt at arson, March term, 1893, of the Dooly superior court; sentence, four years. Executive clemency requested by many citizens, county officers, and the prosecutor. Sentence commuted September 3, 1895, to three years.

CHARLES DELONG.—Plead guilty to carrying concealed

weapons, county court of Richmond county ; sentence, fine of fifty dollars, or six months on chain-gang. Prosecution appearing to have been a prosecution by boy's stepfather, DeLong only carrying a pistol from the store where he purchased it to his home, and since his mother and other children are dependent upon him for a living, and the judge and solicitor having recommended the exercise of executive clemency, sentence commuted September 6, 1895, to payment of five dollars.

MALINDA WEST.—Convicted of misdemeanor, city court of Atlanta ; sentence, twelve months. Sentence commuted to eight months. Numerously signed petition asking for it.

#### RECAPITULATION.

Pardons granted.....	72
Commutation of sentences .....	18
Reprieves and suspension of sentence.....	5
Disabilities removed.....	10
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Total granted.....	105
Applications for clemency refused.....	20
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Total.....	125

On motion of Mr. Lumpkin, three hundred copies of the foregoing message of the Governor were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, offered the following resolution, which was read and agreed to, to wit :

*Resolved*, That the recommendations in the Governor's message be referred as follows :

That portion relating to the Cotton States Exposition to the Committee on Agriculture.

That portion relating to finances, taxation, and North-eastern Railroad and Commissioners of Western and Atlantic Railroad, expenses of Experiment Station, and pensions to the Committee on Finance.

The matters referring to the penitentiary, to the Penitentiary Committee.

Recommendations as to work of judiciary, contests before the legislature, the matters concerning the lynching of offenders, electing lieutenant-governor, to the General Judiciary Committee.

The recommendations concerning common schools and educational institutions to the Committee on Education.

Recommendations concerning trustees of Lunatic Asylum to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

Leave of absence for two days was granted Messrs. Starr and McClure.

By resolution of Mr. Sheppard, the Hon. John H. Lohman, of Brunswick, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.,  
Tuesday, October 29, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craigo,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Williams,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Roberts,	

Mr. Harris, chairman of Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read, and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Long offered the following joint resolution, which was taken up, read, and agreed to, to wit:

*Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring,* That a joint committee of three from the Senate and five from the House be appointed to look into the condition of the Northeastern Railroad, and to further recommend such legislation tending to the disposition of said road, either by sale or lease.

The Senate took up the bill of the Senate to repeal certain portions of an act to carry into effect paragraph 2, section 18, article 6 of the Constitution, etc., which bill, being adversely reported by the General Judiciary Committee, was, on motion of Mr. Long, laid on the table.

The bill of the Senate to preserve the public morals, also reported adversely by the General Judiciary Committee, and which report was made a special order for this day, was, on motion of Mr. Whitley, recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

The resolution offered by Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, which was spread in full upon the Journal of yesterday, was taken up and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, one hundred and fifty copies of the bill of the Senate to provide for the appointment of an insurance commissioner and a clerk for the State of Georgia were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Sanford, chairman of the Committee on the Penitentiary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Penitentiary have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass as amended, to wit :

House bill No. 139, by Mr. Armstrong of Wilkes, to provide for the inspection of misdemeanor convicts.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Sanford, the bill of the House set forth in the foregoing report was read the second time, and passed to a third reading.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Under the joint resolution of Mr. Long, relating to the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad, the President appointed as the committee of the Senate, Messrs. Long, Harris of the Twenty-second district, and Lewis.

The Senate went into executive session, and having spent some time therein returned to open session.

By resolution of Mr. Roberts, Mr. Snead was added to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

By resolution of Mr. Snead, the Hon. J. L. M. Curry was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as herein respectively indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Beeks—

A bill to confer on the official stenographic reporters of the respective judicial circuits, and their successors in office, the powers and duties of commercial notaries public as set forth in sections 1502 and 1505 of the Code of Georgia, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Boyd—

A bill to abolish bar-rooms, to prohibit the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes, and to provide for its manufacture for other purposes, and provide penalties for the violation of this act, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Brand—

A bill to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities of this State, to provide for licensing the same, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

Also, by Mr. Brand—

A bill to authorize the town of Buford, in Gwinnett county, to establish and maintain a system of public schools, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Bush—

A bill to amend an act to amend section 4625(c) of the Code, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Cumming—

A bill to authorize the city council of Augusta to increase its water supply, etc.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Monro—

A bill to amend section 3554 of the Code of Georgia of 1882.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Tatum—

A bill to amend an act approved October 21, 1891 (relating to the road laws), and for other purposes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, to 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, October 30, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their name :

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Williams,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Roberts,	

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, Chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Beeks, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same to pass, to wit :

A bill to authorize the town of Buford, in Gwinnett county, Georgia, to establish and maintain a system of public schools, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.



Mr. Harris, of the Third District, Chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills, to wit :

No. 170, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 21, 1891, amending the road laws, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with a recommendation that the same do pass as amended.

Also, No. 136, an act to amend an act of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved October 22, 1887, by striking the word "fishing" from the first line of the title of said act, and to repeal the second section of said act, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with a recommendation that the same do pass.

Also, No. 156, a bill, to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of Laurens county, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with a recommendation that the author be allowed to withdraw the same.

Also, No. 137, a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved July 22, 1891, which declares all obligations to pay attorney fees void, in addition to the interest specified therein, upon any note or evidence of indebtedness, void and of no effect, and to prohibit the collection of the same, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate with a recommendation that the same be recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS,  
Chairman Special Judiciary.

The bill of the Senate to amend paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 3 of article 6, paragraph 1 of section 11 of article 6, and paragraph 1 of section 12 of article 6 of the Constitution of this State, which was adversely reported by the General Judiciary Committee and made the special order of this day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Monro, recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Keen, by permission of the Senate, withdrew the bill to abolish the city court of Laurens county.

Mr. Brand, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bills, which they recommend to pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison, approved October 6, 1891.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Cartersville, Bartow county, Georgia, approved August 27, 1872, and the various acts amendatory thereof, so as to change the term of office of the mayor and alderman of said city, etc.

They also report back to the Senate the following bill, which they recommend be read the second time and recommitted to this committee, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Carrollton, approved September 9, 1891, so as to limit the *ad valorem* tax on all real and

personal property within the corporate limits of the city, etc.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they recommend do not pass, to wit :

A bill to authorize the town council of Abbeville, Ga., to issue bonds for \$20,000, for the purpose of building academies in said town.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, through M. A. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the following joint resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution referring that portion of the Governor's message relative to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad to a joint committee of five from the House and three from the Senate, with power to send for persons and papers.

The committee on the part of the House were Messrs. Perkins of Habersham, Johnson of Hall, Wynne of Wilkes, Rawlings of Washington, and Pool of Warren.

The joint resolution from the House set forth in the foregoing message was, on motion, taken up and concurred in.

The committee appointed on the part of the Senate consists of Messrs. Long, Harris of the Twenty-second district, and Lewis.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as respectively indicated, to wit:

By Mr. Brand—

A bill to repeal an act approved October 15, 1885, being an act to declare when judgments and executions are dormant in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Harris of the Third district—

A bill to amend section 1711 of the Code of 1882, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district—

A bill to amend the charter of the Macon Savings Bank, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Mercer—

A bill to authorize the payment of checks, demands, drafts, and savings banks orders in case of the death of the drawer before payment, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Monro—

A bill to make penal the mortgaging or selling of land not one's own, which he does not hold in some lawful representative capacity, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Roberts—

A bill to amend section 4423 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, by Mr. Roberts—

A bill to amend section 4422 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, by Mr. Roberts—

A bill to amend section 4434 of the Code.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Long—

A bill to require all persons carrying about their person any pistol, dirk, etc., to register in any county where the same are carried, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Sharpe—

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Carrollton to hold an election on the question of issuing and selling bonds not exceeding \$20,000 for the building of suitable houses and purchasing furniture and apparatus for the public schools of said city, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Boyd—

A bill to regulate practice in the superior courts now or hereafter pending, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on General Judiciary.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, chairman of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Committee on Special Judiciary has had under con-

sideration Senate bill No. 163, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

S. R. HARRIS,  
Chairman Special Judiciary.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, to wit: No. 61, by Mr. Bush of the Eighth district, which is a bill to be entitled an act to make it unlawful for any person or persons to fish with hook and line, net, trap, or seine in any of the waters in the State on the Sabbath day, known as the Lord's day, etc., and have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, bill No. 85, by Mr. Beeks of the Twenty-sixth district, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 21 of an act approved December 18, 1893, which relates to the issuing and granting corporate powers and privileges to insurance companies by the Secretary of State, etc., and they have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, bill No. 111, by Mr. Boyd of the Thirty-second district, which is a bill to amend section 752 of the Code of 1882, so as to provide additional privileges to miners for carrying off crude ores, etc., and they direct me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, bill No. 143, by Mr. Brand of the Thirty-fourth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4721 of the code of Georgia, repealing that part of the same which makes it the duty of the arresting officer to carry the accused to the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed, etc.; and they have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, bill No. 93, by Mr. Sharpe of the Thirty-seventh, which is a bill to prescribe a salary for the tax collector, and also the receiver of tax returns of Carroll county, in lieu of commission, etc.; and they have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Also, bill No. 100, by Mr. Sheppard of the Second, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the recording of chattel mortgages on real estate in separate set of books, etc.; and they have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with recommendation that it do not pass.

Also, bill No. 31, by Mr. Monroe of the Twenty-fourth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 3149(a) of the Code of Georgia, as amended by the act of November 12, 1889, etc.; and they have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that its introducer be allowed to withdraw same.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Sanford, the bill of the House to provide for the inspection of misdemeanor convicts was taken up for a third reading.

The Committee on the Penitentiary reported in favor of its passage with an amendment.

The report was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Sanford, the bill was recommitted, and was again, on his motion, taken up for a third reading, and the action of the Senate agreeing to the report of the committee was reconsidered.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, offered the following amendment, which was adopted, to wit :

Amend section 2 by adding, at the end thereof, the following :

“ When such recommendation is made and adopted by the grand jury as herein provided, the same shall be reported to the court, and shall be entered upon the minutes by the clerk thereof.”

The bill was further amended, on motion of Mr. McGregor, as follows :

Amend section 3 by adding after the words “ to which they report,” in next to last line, the words “ and presented and approved by the proper authorities.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and passed as amended, there being 29 ayes and 0 nays.

The following bills were taken up, read the second time, and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to repeal an act approved July 22, 1871, declaring all obligations to pay attorney's fees, in addition to the interest specified therein, void, in and upon any note or evidence of indebtedness to prohibit the collection of the same, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Carrollton.



The following bills of the Senate were read the second time, and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Cartersville, etc.

A bill to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison.

A bill to amend an act approved October 22, 1887, by striking the word "fishing" from the first line of the title of said act, and to repeal said act, and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize the city council of Augusta, to increase its water supply, etc.

A bill to authorize the town of Buford, in Gwinnett county, to establish and maintain a system of public schools.

Also, a bill to amend an act approved October 21, 1891, relating to the road laws, and for other purposes.

The bill of the Senate to provide for additional State depositories was taken up, under adverse report of the Committee on Finance, and lost by agreement with said report.

Mr. Sheppard offered the following joint resolution, which was, on motion, taken up, read, and agreed to, to wit:

WHEREAS, An appropriation has been set apart by the last session of the General Assembly of Georgia for the establishment of a State normal college; and

WHEREAS, It is the desire of this Legislature to know the progress said institution has made, and its needs, if any; therefore be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring,* That a committee of five from the Senate and seven from the House be appointed to visit said institution at some early date (to be determined by said committee) and

report the condition of said institution to the General Assembly, with such recommendations as they may see fit.

The committee appointed by the President, under the foregoing resolution, consists of Messrs. Sheppard, chairman, Sanford, Boyd, Snead, and Lewis.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. McGarrity on account of sickness, and to Mr. Bush for several days on important business.

By resolution of Mr. Bush, Colonel Jno. R. Williams, of the county of Miller, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, to 10 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Thursday, October 31, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Hon. Mr. Brown, Senator from the Thirty-ninth district.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Little,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,

Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wade,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Keen,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	McClure,	Tatum,
Craigo,	Storey,	Williams.
McGregor,		

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the same correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Sanford, the action of the Senate of yesterday, in passing with amendments the bill of the House to provide for the inspection of misdemeanor convicts, was reconsidered.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend be re-committed to the Committee on Finance, to wit:

A bill to amend the general tax act of 1892, section 2, paragraph 3, and for other purposes.

They have also had under consideration House bill No. 315, which they recommend do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county commissioners, or ordinary in counties where there are no county commissioners, to remove obstructions and put in order railroad crossings where railroad companies do not comply with the notice to do so, and to collect the cost and

expenses of such work by issuing executions against such defaulting company, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills, which they recommend do not pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act investing Latta M. Autry with rights of an adult.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to require and provide for the registration of all voters in the counties of Floyd, McDuffie, Burke, Randolph, Elbert, Oglethorpe, Wilkinson, Greene, Washington, Walton, Morgan, Lowndes, Emanuel, and Pulaski, etc., approved December 10, 1886, so far as the same relates to duties of the ordinary of the county of Washington.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act approved October 22, 1887, by striking the word "fishing" from the first line of the title of said act, and to repeal the second section of said act, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate, to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison, approved October 6, 1891.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Harris of the Twelfth district, for a few days, on account of indisposition.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. Hardin, Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following House bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to abolish the county court of Emanuel county.

Also, a bill for the protection of fish in the waters of Fannin county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act approved August 22, 1883, incorporating the town of Morganton in the county of Fannin.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the quarterly terms of the city court of Elbert county.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the fall term of Irwin superior court.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolutions, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution appointing a joint committee of three from the House and two from the Senate, to take into consideration that portion of the Governor's message relating to State supervision of misdemeanor convicts, and has appointed as such committee on the part of the House, Messrs. McCurry, Dempsey, and Fullwood.

Also, a resolution congratulating the Governor and the Commissioner of Agriculture and other members of the board, the Exposition Company, and the city of Atlanta upon the success of the Cotton States and International Exposition.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to enable said city to issue bonds to pay off its present bonded debt falling due in 1896.

Also, a bill to extend the corporate limits of the city of Rome.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to repeal certain sections in said charter.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to create a water commission for said city.

Also, a bill to authorize the city of Thomaston to issue bonds to the extent of \$35,000 for certain purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the removal of obstructions other than dams, etc., in the running streams of Hart county.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution appointing a joint committee of three from the Senate and five from the House to examine into the condition of the Northeastern Railroad and report thereon, and has appointed as such committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Mell, Gray, Worley, Houston, and Murrah.

The House has also agreed to the following joint resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution inviting the chancellor of the State University to address the General Assembly upon the condition, interests, and wants of the University, on Tuesday, November 5, 1895.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate "to amend an act incorporating the city of Cartersville, approved August 27, 1872, and for other purposes."

Proof of legal notice was submitted to the Senate, the report was agreed to, the bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 33, nays 0.

Mr. Long offered the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill "to repeal paragraphs 8 and 9 of section 1 of article 5 of the Constitution of Georgia, which refer to the filling of vacancies and unexpired terms in the office of Governor, and substitute in lieu thereof two paragraphs to be known as paragraphs 8 and 9 of said section, providing for a lieutenant-governor, and prescribing his duties, and also for the filling of vacancies in the office of Governor in certain contingencies named therein."

On motion of Mr. Beeks, the joint resolution of the House inviting Dr. Boggs, Chancellor of the State University, to address the General Assembly in the hall of Representatives at 11 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, November 5th, was taken up, read, and concurred in.

With the consent of the Senate, Mr. Sharpe withdrew a bill of the Senate, "to prescribe a salary for the tax-collector and receiver of tax-returns of Carroll county."

Mr. Whitley, by general consent, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill to provide for the application of all public school funds to the Douglasville college that are distributed to school children within the corporate limits of said town, and for other purposes.

Mr. Mercer, by general consent, introduced a joint resolution appointing a committee of three from the House and two from the Senate, to perfect a plan for the future care of persons sentenced for violating the laws of this State.

This resolution was referred, on motion, to the Committee on the Penitentiary after being read the first time.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on the Special Judiciary, on the bill to amend an act approved October 21, 1891, in regard to the road laws, which, being read the third time, was recommitted, with proposed amendments, to the Committee on Public Roads.

The Senate, on motion, went into executive session, and having spent some time therein returned to open session.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to authorize the city council of Augusta to increase its water supply, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

Proof of legal notice was submitted, the bill was read the third time, and passed as amended—ayes 31, nays 0.

The bill of the Senate to authorize the town of Buford in Gwinnett county, to establish and maintain a system of public schools, which was taken up under favorable report of the Committee on Education for a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Brand, laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Mr. Boyd, (by request) one hundred copies of the bill of the Senate to abolish barrooms, etc., were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.



Mr. Starr by general consent introduced a bill to amend section 2706 of the Code of 1882, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By general consent the following bill was introduced, read the first time, and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill to prescribe qualifications for judges of city and county courts hereafter to be appointed by the Governor.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend section 21 of an act approved December 18, 1893, which relates to the issuing and granting corporate powers, etc., to insurance companies by the Secretary of State, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 752 of the Code of 1882, etc.

A bill to amend section 4721 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

And a bill to make it unlawful for any person or persons to fish with hook and line, net, trap, or seine in any of the waters of this State on the Sabbath day.

The Senate adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Friday, November 1, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Little,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brand,	Mercer	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Morton,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Norman,	Wade,
Johnson,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Keen,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Lewis,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Brown,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Storey,	Williams.
Harris of the 12th,		

Mr. Bussey, from the Committee on Journals, reported the journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have examined the following applicants for clerkships in the Senate and beg to report that they are competent and qualified for their respective positions :

W H. Harrison, Julian McCurry, W DeR. Barclay, D. C. Jones.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWIN R. SHARPE.

The oath of office was administered by the President to the several clerks mentioned in the foregoing report.

On motion of Mr. Sanford, leave of absence for a few days was granted Messrs. Monro, Tatum, Ryals, Sheppard, and Storey.

On motion of Mr. Sanford, Mr. McGarrity was added to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 141, by Senator Snead of the Twenty-ninth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to make penal the selling or buying of seed cotton in the county of Columbia, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to return to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, to wit :

House bill No. 8, by Mr. Rockwell of Chatham, which is a bill to be entitled an act to prescribe penalties for all felonies under the laws of this State, etc.

Also, Senate bill 154, by Senator Starr of the Forty-third, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend paragraph 1, section 2, article 4 of the Constitution of the State, so as to increase the number of supreme court judges, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 181, by Senator Boyd of the Thirty-second, which is a bill to be entitled an act to regulate practice in the supreme court, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following

bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the introducer be allowed to withdraw same, to wit :

Senate bill No. 102, by Senator Cumming of the Eighteenth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the State Librarian to appoint and remove his assistant.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majorities, to wit :

A bill to amend an act approved November 29, 1890, entitled an act to create a new charter for the city of Columbus, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to provide compensation for election managers and clerks at all general and special elections held in the county of Washington, approved December 14, 1884.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to fix the payment of tales jurors, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to require the road commissioners of Bibb county to work the convict force at such times and places and in such manner as they may be directed by the county board of commissioners upon the public bridges, sewers, etc., and for other purposes therein contained.

Also, a bill to relieve and reimburse R. L. Swatts of Pike county, for payment of forfeited bond.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities in this State to contract with the authorities of the United States for the erection of bridges in certain specified cases, and for other purposes.

By resolution of Mr. Starr, the Hon. R. G. McCurry, of the county of Whitfield, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Mr. Whitley offered a resolution appointing a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House to investigate the convicts of this State, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Lewis, by general consent, introduced a bill to amend section 943(b) of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. McGarrity, by consent of the Senate, introduced a bill to amend an act to establish boards of medical examiners for the State of Georgia, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on General Judiciary.

The following Senate bills were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to regulate practice in the superior court now or hereafter pending, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 1, paragraph 11, article 6 of the Constitution of the State, so as to increase the number of supreme court judges from three to five, so that the said court shall consist of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices.

And a bill to make penal the selling or buying of seed cotton in the county of Columbia between certain dates, and for other purposes.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

It was ordered, on motion, that when the Senate adjourns this day it will adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next.

By resolution of Mr. Long, the Hon. John P Shannon, Grand Master of this State, was tendered a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as severally indicated, to wit:

A bill to authorize county authorities in this State to contract with authorities of the United States for the erection of bridges in certain specified cases.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to require the road commissioners of Bibb county to work the convict force at such times and places and in such manner as they may be directed by the county board of commissioners of Bibb county upon the public bridges, sewers, for the benefit of the public roads, etc., etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to relieve and reimburse R. L. Swatts of Pike county, etc.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

A bill to fix the payment of tales jurors, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend an act approved November 29, 1890, to create a new charter for the city of Columbus, and to consolidate and declare the rights and powers of said corporation, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to change the time of holding the fall term of Irwin superior court, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to provide for the removal of obstructions of all kinds, other than dams for operating mills, etc., from the running streams of Hart county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to authorize the city of Thomasville to issue bonds to the amount of \$35,000, after submitting the question to the qualified voters of said city.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill for the protection of fish in the waters of Fannin county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to change the corporate limits of the city of Rome, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to enable said city to issue and exchange, or to issue and sell, bonds to retire its bonded debt which matures in the year 1896.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to change the regular quarterly term of the city court of Elbert county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to abolish the county court of Emanuel county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to repeal an act approved August 22, 1883, incorporating the town Morganton, in Fannin county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to create a water commission for said city, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend section 1 of an act to provide compensation for election managers and clerks at all general and special elections in Washington county, and for other purposee.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the House to provide penalties for certain violations of the penal laws, etc., was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

A resolution from the House, extending congratulations to the Governor and the Cotton States and International Exposition, was read and concurred in.

A resolution of the House, providing a joint committee to consider that portion of the Governor's message recommending State supervisors of misdemeanor convicts, was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Penitentiary.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary



Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 752 of the Code, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 21 of an act approved December 18, 1893, which relates to the issuing and granting corporate powers and privileges to insurance companies by the Secretary of State, etc., and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 4721 of the Code, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

Mr. Osborne, by general consent, introduced a bill to require that all convict-made brooms sold in this State be stamped in such manner as to show that same are made by convict labor, and for other purposes.

This bill was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Bussey introduced a resolution instructing the Secretary of the Senate to prepare a calendar of the Senate and House bills on days that bills are to be called up for a third reading, which was read and referred to the Committee on Rules.

The bill of the House to authorize county commissioners, etc., to remove obstructions and put in order railroad crossings where railroad companies do not comply with the notice to do so, etc., and for other purposes, was read the

third time and, pending action on the question of its passage, was recommitted to the Committee on Railroads.

The bill of the Senate to make it unlawful to fish in any of the waters of this State on the Sabbath day, and to provide a penalty therefor, was taken up for a third reading and laid on the table for the present.

The Senate, on motion, went into executive session, and having spent some time therein, returned to open session.

By resolution of Mr. Brand, the privileges of the floor of the Senate were extended to Lieut. R. D. Fox and Dr. P. S. Clarke, of the city of Darien, during their stay in the city.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. McGregor for a few days on business.

By resolution of Mr. Beeks, the Hon. T. R. Mills, of the city of Griffin, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

The Senate, having disposed of the business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Monday, November 4, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the Senate.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Storey,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Sharpe,

Boyd,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Williams,
Johnson,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Brand,	Little,	Snead,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Craigo,	McGarity,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Keen,	Norman,	

Mr. Bussey, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and approved by the Senate.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majorities, to wit :

A bill to make it the duty of the owners of dead domestic animals or fowls, etc., to bury the same without the corporate limits of any city or town, and to prescribe a penalty for a failure to do so.

Also, a bill to fix the time and manner of electing the mayor and council of the town of Decatur, in the county of DeKalb.

Also, a bill to cede to the United States jurisdiction of this State over certain lands and certain public roads and approaches to the Chickamauga National Military Park, in the counties of Walker and Catoosa.

The House has also passed by a constitutional majority, as amended, the following bill of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to prescribe the method of attestation and acknowledgment of deeds to realty and personalty executed without the State, and for other purposes.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution appointing a joint committee of five from the Senate and seven from the House to visit the State Normal College and report thereon.

The committee on the part of the House are : Messrs. Jenkins, West, Armstrong, Bird, Hogan, Shropshire, and Hopkins.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Norman for a few days, and to Mr. Little for to-day and to-morrow.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, Chairman of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following House bill, which they recommend do pass, the proofs being correct, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Fannin county, to fix penalties for violation of same, and for other purposes.

The following bills are returned to the Senate with the recommendation that they be referred to the Committee on Corporations, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved November 29, 1890, entitled an act to create a new charter for the city of Columbus, etc.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to enable said city to issue and exchange, or to issue and sell, bonds to retire the bonded debt, etc.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the corporate limits of the city of Rome, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Rome so as to repeal section 46 of the act of the General Assembly, approved September 25, 1883, then known as the charter of Rome, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to create a water commission for said city, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Whitley, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President.*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following Senate bills and find them properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 21 of an act, approved December 18, 1893, which relates to the issuing and granting corporate powers and privileges to insurance companies by the Secretary of State, to define the powers and liabilities of such companies, to regulate the same, and for other purposes, by making the same apply to live-stock companies.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 752 of the Code of 1882, so as to provide additional privileges to miners for carrying off crude ores, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4721 of the Code of Georgia, repealing that part of the same which makes it the duty of the arresting officer to carry the accused to the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed, and authorizing him to hold or imprison the accused until an officer from the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed may go after him, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled act to amend an act of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved October 22, 1887, by striking the word "fishing" from the first line of the title of said act, and to repeal the second section of said act, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison, approved October 6, 1891.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the city council of Augusta to increase its water supply by constructing water-works beyond the corporate limits of the city of Augusta, to purchase and hold property for such purposes, to lay water mains and exercise the right of eminent domain beyond the corporate limits of the said city, etc., etc.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Cartersville, Bartow county, Georgia, approved August 27, 1872, and various acts amendatory thereof, etc., etc.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

On the call of the roll for the introduction of new matter, the following bills were introduced, read for the first time and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to define the rights and privileges of foreign guardians and trustees, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Tatum—

A bill to reorganize the Cherokee and Rome circuits by taking from the Cherokee circuit the county of Dade and adding the same to the Rome circuit, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Venable, the President—

A bill to provide for the election of the clerk of the commissioners of roads and revenues of Fulton county by the people.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit :

A bill to make the owners of dead animals bury them, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to fix the time and manner of electing the mayor and council of the town of Decatur, in DeKalb county, and to fix the terms of office of said officers.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

And a bill to cede to the United States jurisdiction of this State over certain lands and over certain public roads

and approaches to the Chickamauga National Military Park, in the counties of Walker and Catoosa in this State.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the House for the protection of fish in the waters of Fannin county, and for other purposes, was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bussey, the bill of the House for the better collection of tax executions in this State, which, on the 10th day of December, 1894, was laid on the table, was taken from the table and recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Osborne introduced the following privileged resolution which was taken up, read, and agreed to, to wit :

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to procure a large size photograph of the President of the Senate, and that the same be hung on the wall of the Senate chamber.

The Senate, on motion, took a recess for thirty minutes, and at the expiration of this period was called to order by the President.

Mr. Tatum by general consent introduced a bill to repeal an act approved December 26, 1888, to require any corporation or person doing business in this State to redeem in cash any checks, scrip, or other written evidences of indebtedness for the wages of laborers.

This bill was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By general consent, Mr. Mercer introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee, to wit :



A bill to amend section 2 of an act to fix the salary of the State Librarian and assistant librarian, approved October 29, 1889.

The following bills of the House, which on Friday last were referred to the Special Judiciary Committee, were, on recommendation of said committee, recommitted to the Committee on Corporations, to wit:

A bill to amend an act, approved November 29, 1890, entitled an act to create a new charter for the city of Columbus.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to enable said city to issue and exchange, or to issue and sell bonds to retire the bonded debt of said city for 1896.

A bill to change the corporate limits of the city of Rome, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to repeal section 46 of an act approved September 25, 1883, then known as the charter of Rome, and for other purposes.

And a bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to create a water commission for said city, and for other purposes.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Tuesday, November 5, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Beeks,	Keen,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Long,	Story,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Cumming,	Monro,	Tatum,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Williams,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wilcox.
Little,	Snead,	

Mr. Beeks, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Mercer, chairman of the Committee on Public Roads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Public Roads have had under consideration the following bill, and instruct me to report the same, with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 21, 1891, amending the road laws, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER, Chairman.

E. B. Lewis, chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Finance Committee has had under consideration the following bills, and report that they do not pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt from taxation notes given by vendees.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt from taxation notes received from vendors of real estate and personal property.

Also, a resolution, No. 63, authorizing and directing the Comptroller-General to reopen the matter of assessments of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company. Your committee recommend that this resolution do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, which they recommend do pass, the proofs having been found correct, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the application of all public school funds to Douglasville College that are distributed to school children within the corporate limits of said town, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to require the road commissioners of Bibb county to work the convict force at such times and places and in such manner as they may be directed by the county board of commissioners of Bibb county upon the public bridges, sewers, public roads, etc.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of obstructions of all kinds other than dams used for operating mills or machinery of any kind from the rivers, creeks, and other running streams in Hart county, Georgia, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass, proofs correct, to wit:

A bill to authorize the city of Thomasville to issue bonds to the extent of \$35,000 to pay for improvements, after submitting the question of bonds or no bonds to the qualified voters of said city.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Lumpkin, chairman of the Committee on Public Schools, made the following report:

The Committee on Public Schools have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill, by Senator Sharpe of the Thirty-seventh district, to be entitled an act to amend an act to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton, etc.

W H. LUMPKIN, Chairman.

Mr. Long, chairman Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bill by Mr. Lewis of the Thirteenth district, No. 187, which they recommend do pass.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 943(b) of the Code of 1882.

Also, House bill No. 22, by Mr. Hall of Coweta county, which they recommend do not pass.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Coweta bank, approved October 24, 1887, and for other purposes.

Also, House bill No. 322, by Mr. West of Lowndes, which they recommend do not pass.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to carry into effect paragraph 18 of section 7 of article 3 of the Constitution of 1877, relating to chartering of banks, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they have directed me to report to the Senate, with recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 155, by Senator Sheppard of the Second, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2571 of the Code of 1882, which provides for year's support of widow and minor children, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 176, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4422 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 177, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4423 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 178, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4424 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 188, by Senator Osborne of the First, which is a bill to be entitled an act to require that all convict-made brooms sold in this State be stamped, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bills, which they have directed me to report to the Senate, with recommendation that they do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 112, by Senator Venable of the Thirty-fifth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to repeal section 4 of an act entitled an act to regulate the business of insurance in this State, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 113, by Senator Whitley of the Thirty-eighth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to preserve the public morals from injury caused by too great publicity in the trials in the courts, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they have directed me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time, recommitted, and two hundred copies printed for the use of the Senate, to wit :

Senate bill No. 134, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide for a board of equalization of real and personal property for taxation, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

W E. HARRIS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the bill of the Senate to authorize the town of Buford, in Gwinnett county, to establish and maintain a system of public schools, was taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Education.

By resolution of Mr. Boyd, the Hon. W H. McAfee, of Lumpkin county, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The following privileged resolution by Mr. Lewis was read and agreed to, to wit :

*Resolved*, That our honored Georgian, Hon. C. F. Crisp, be entitled to all the privileges of the floor of the Senate during his stay in this city.

The bill of the Senate to amend paragraph 1, section 11, article 6 of the Constitution of this State, so as to increase the number of Supreme Court judges from three to five, so that said court shall consist of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices, which was taken up for a third reading,

was, on motion of Mr. Starr, made the special order for Thursday next, immediately after the reading of the Journal, and one hundred copies of the bill were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majorities, the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to amend an act to authorize the town of Hogansville, in the county of Troup, to organize a public school system independent of the public school system of the State, approved December 12, 1893, and for other purposes therein contained.

Also, a bill to require judges of the superior courts of this State, upon the continuance of any case, to enter upon their dockets opposite such case the date of the continuance thereof, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize the board of commissioners of roads and revenues of the county of Glynn to issue bonds of said county not to exceed \$69,000.00, for the purpose of refunding the present bonded indebtedness of said county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton so as to authorize the mayor and council of said city to elect a mayor *pro tem.*, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, so as to make it the duty of the clerk of the council to collect all property taxes and license fees due the said city, and to require said clerk to enter into bond, payable to the mayor and council, in such amount as they may fix, with



security by them to be approved, conditioned for his faithful discharge of said duties, and for other purposes.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked :

A resolution in regard to the address of Chancellor Boggs of the State University.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to regulate practice in the superior court now or hereafter pending, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of the passage of the bill, with the following amendment to the caption, to wit :

Amend caption by adding after the word "court," in the second line, the words "in cases."

Mr. Cumming offered the following amendment to the report of the committee, which was adopted, to wit :

Amend section 1 by adding thereto the following :  
"and in cases where a corporation is defendant, the affidavit may be made by the president, vice-president, superintendent, or any officer or agent who knows, or whose official duty it is to know, about the facts and matters set out in the answers."

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, offered the following amendment to the report of the committee, which was adopted, to wit :

Amend section 7 by adding after the words "the defendant," in the first line, the words "after the time allowed for answers has expired."

The report of the committee as amended was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and passed as amended—ayes 29, nays 0.

By resolution of Mr. Keen, Judge Ira S. Chappell was tendered a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

On motion of Mr. Broughton, the joint resolution of the House changing the day for the address of the Chancellor of the State University to Friday, November 11th, was taken up and concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Roads on the bill of the Senate to amend an act approved October 21, 1891, amending the road laws.

The committee reported in favor of the passage of the bill, with the following amendments, to wit:

Amend the caption by striking the words "amending the road laws."

Amend section 11 by striking the word "that," in the third line, where it occurs after the word "the" and before the word "than."

The committee also reported the following amendment, to wit:

Also, by adding at the end of said section the following words: "*provided further*, that no person shall be required to work in any county or district to which he may have removed after having worked in the county or district from which he removed."

The amendments reported by the committee were adopted.

Mr. Cumming offered to amend the caption of the bill as follows, to wit:

Amend caption by inserting after the words "1891," the words "in reference to the method of working public roads in the State."

This amendment was adopted.

Mr. Starr offered the following amendment, which was adopted, to wit :

Amend by inserting after the words "sixteen and fifty years," in the second line, the words "who has resided in any road district ten days."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and passed as amended—ayes 32, nays 0.

Mr. Sanford, chairman of the Committee on Penitentiary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Penitentiary have had under consideration the following Senate resolution, which they recommend be agreed to as amended, to wit :

A resolution appointing a committee to perfect a plan for the future care of persons sentenced for violating the laws of this State.

They have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they recommend that the introducer be allowed to withdraw, to wit:

A bill to amend section 4766 of the Code, providing that the duties of the principal keeper of the penitentiary shall be performed by the physician of the penitentiary.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate

a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The following bills of the Senate, which were taken up under adverse report of the Finance Committee, were, on motion of Mr. Harris of the Third district, laid on the table, to wit :

A bill to exempt from taxation notes received by vendors of real and personal property wherein the title has passed to purchaser.

Also, a bill to exempt from taxation notes given by vendees in certain cases.

The following bills were withdrawn, viz. :

A bill to amend section 3149(a) of the Code.

Also, a bill to preserve the public morals, etc.

The bill of the Senate to make penal the selling or buying of seed cotton in the county of Columbia, and for other purposes, which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. McGarrity, made the special order for Thursday next, after other special order is disposed of.

By general consent, Mr. Brand offered the following bills, which were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit :

A bill to amend an act approved December 6, 1880, making it the duty of the clerk of the county court to select a judge should the parties litigant fail or refuse to agree upon the same, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to authorize the town of Buford, Gwinnett county, to establish and maintain a system of public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

The bill of the Senate to provide for a board of equali-

zation of real and personal property, subject to taxation, etc., was read the second time, and two hundred copies thereof were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The Senate, on motion, went into executive session and returned to open session.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to amend section 4422 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 4423 of the Code, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 4424 of the Code, and for other purposes.

A bill to provide for the application of all public school funds to the Douglasville College that are distributed to school children within the corporate limits of said town, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 943(b) of the Code of 1882.

A bill to amend section 2571 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton, and for other purposes.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, November 6, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Keen,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Long,	Storey,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Cumming,	Monro,	Tatum,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Williams,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Johnson,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Wilson,
Little,	Snead,	Wilcox.
McGregor,		

Mr. Bussey, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate,

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which they recommend do pass, the proofs being correct, to wit :

A bill to amend an act approved November 29, 1890, entitled an act to create a new charter for the city of Colum-

bus, and to consolidate and declare the rights and powers of said corporation.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Brand introduced the following bills, which were read and referred as indicated, to wit :

A bill to establish the city court of Gwinnett county, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county of the State of Georgia except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January 19, 1872, and all acts amendatory thereof, so far as the same apply to the county of Gwinnett.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Harris, in behalf of the chairman of Committee on Rules, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Rules have had under consideration a resolution by Senator Bussey of the Eleventh district, which is a resolution instructing the Senate to prepare a calendar of the Senate and House bills on the days that bills are to be called for third reading, and I am instructed to return the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

N. E. HARRIS,  
For Committee on Rules.

The resolution mentioned in the foregoing report was, on motion, taken up, read, and agreed to.

Mr. Brand offered a privileged resolution authorizing the doorkeeper of the Senate to appoint one additional assistant doorkeeper during the present session of the Senate, which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following bills of the House were read the first time, and referred as herein indicated, to wit :

A bill to amend an act to authorize the town of Hogansville, in Troup county, to organize a public school system, etc., approved December 12, 1893, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Education.

A bill to authorize the board of commissioners of Glynn county to issue coupon bonds of said county in a sum not exceeding \$69,000, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, for the purpose of refunding the present bonded indebtedness of said county, incurred prior to the Constitution of 1877, to provide for the levy and collection of a tax for the payment of said bonds, and for other purposes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, making it the duty of the clerk of council to collect all property taxes and license fees, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to require judges of the superior courts of this State, upon the continuance of any case, to enter upon their dockets opposite such case the date of said continu-



ance, to make public announcement thereof at the time of such continuance, and for other purposes.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Norman for a few days.

The following message was received from the House through M. A. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majorities, to wit :

A bill to amend section 534 of the Code of 1882, as amended by act approved October 19, 1891, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to grant to the mayor and aldermen of Savannah a strip of land in Crawford ward for the purpose of straightening a street.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution inviting the Hon. G. R. Glenn, State School Commissioner, to address the General Assembly on the educational interests of the State, at 11 o'clock A. M., Thursday, November 7, 1895.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following bills, and find them properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate practice in the superior court in cases now or hereafter pending, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act, approved October 21, 1891, in reference to method of working public roads, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to provide for removal of obstructions of all kinds, other than dams used for operating mills or machinery, from the rivers, creeks, and other running streams in Hart county, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend an act approved November 29, 1890, entitled an act to create a new charter for the city of Columbus, and for other purposes.

A bill to require the road commissioners of Bibb county to work the convict force at such times and places, and in such manner as they may be directed by the county board of commissioners of Bibb county, upon the public bridges, sewers for the benefit of public roads, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize the city of Thomasville to issue bonds to the extent of \$35,000, and for other purposes.

The bill of the Senate to require that all convict-made brooms sold in this State be stamped in such manner as to show that the same are made by convict labor, and for other purposes, was read the second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Monro, the bill of the Senate making it unlawful for municipal corporations to levy a tax or license upon the non-resident manufacturer, merchant, trader, or traveling salesman for selling goods, wares, merchandise by sample within their corporate limits, and for other purposes, was taken from the table and recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

By general consent Mr. Long introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to regulate the business of insurance in this State, and for other purposes.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 2571 of the Code, and for other purposes.

The report, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the ayes and nays were demanded and recorded as follows :

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Sheppard,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Sanford,
Brand,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Morton,	Whitley,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Williams.
Harris of the 22d,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Keen,	Storey,
Brown,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Starr,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Tatum.
Johnson,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	McGregor,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Wilcox,
Lewis,	Osborne,	Wade,
Little,	Upchurch,	Mr. President.

Ayes 19. Nays 13. Not voting 12.

The bill, not having received a constitutional majority, was lost.

On motion of Mr. Starr, the Senate took up and concurred in the resolution of the House, inviting Hon. G. R. Glenn, State School Commissioner, to address the General Assembly on the educational interests of the State, at 11 o'clock A. M., Thursday, November 7, 1895.

Mr. Osborne introduced a resolution reopening assessment in relation to the Savannah street railroad, which was read the first time and tabled.

Mr. Sanford offered a joint resolution providing a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House, to inquire as to the companies of lessees of convicts that are in arrears to the State.

The resolution was, on motion, taken up and agreed to.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 4422 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 23, nays 9.

The Senate took up the report of the Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 4423 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Roberts, by adding the words "bills of exchange, bank notes," after the word "notes" and before the word "checks," in the sixteenth line of section 1.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 4422 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 31, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for the application of all public school funds to the Douglasville College that are distributed to school children within the corporate limits of said town, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 943(b) of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, Mr. Keen was added to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

On motion of Mr. Mercer, the report of the Committee on the Penitentiary was taken up on the resolution of the Senate, appointing a joint committee of two from the Senate and five from the House, to perfect a plan for the future care of persons sentenced for violating the laws of this State.

The committee reported in favor of the adoption of the resolution, with an amendment, making the committee on the part of the Senate three and on the part of the House five.

This amendment was adopted.

Mr. Monro proposed to amend the report as follows: "It is further provided that the committee be empowered and authorized to obtain information and make investigation as to what sum per annum each convict could be leased for, provided the Legislature at its next session should see fit to lease out the convicts again, keeping in view the distribution of the convicts over the different portions of the State, so that not over 150 convicts be worked in one county."

On motion of Mr. Starr, the amendment offered by Mr. Monro was amended by striking out the words "so that not over 150 convicts be worked in one county."

The amendment by Mr. Monro, as amended, was adopted.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was agreed to, and on motion of Mr. Mercer, ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

By resolution of Mr. Brand, ex-State Senator Judge Sam J. Winn, of Lawrenceville, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Thursday, November 7, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Those present were Messrs :

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 3d,	Norman,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams,
Keen,	Roberts,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Boyd,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wilson.
Harrison,	McClure,	

Mr. Beeks, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Sheppard, the action of the Senate in refusing to pass the bill of the Senate to amend section 2571 of the Code of 1882 was reconsidered, and on his motion the reconsidered bill was recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. McGregor on account of sickness.

By resolution of Mr. Sheppard, ex-Senator W. A. Wilcox and Mr. C. L. Livingston of Darien, Georgia, were invited to seats in the Senate during their stay in this city.

Under the resolution of the Senate to provide a joint committee to consider the question of providing for the care of persons violating the laws of this State, the President appointed as the committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Mercer, Boyd, and Sheppard.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following engrossed bills, and find them properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, to wit:



A bill to amend section 4423 of the Code of 1882, relating to the fraudulent taking and carrying away, or converting to his own use, by any person employed as a clerk, agent, etc., in any store, warehouse, counting-room, etc., property entrusted to him, and prescribing a penalty therefor.

Also, a bill to amend section 4424 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to amend section 4422 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to provide for the application of all public school funds to the Douglasville College that is distributed to school children within the corporate limits of said town, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 943(b) of the Code of 1882.

Also, a resolution appointing a committee of three from the Senate and five from the House to perfect a plan for the future care of persons sentenced for violating the laws of this State.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Callaway, his private Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend paragraph 1, section 11, article 41 of the Constitution of the State, so as to increase the number of Supreme Court judges from three to five, so that said court shall consist of a chief justice and four associate justices.

This bill was made the special order for this day.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment to its title of the following words: And for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, as amended, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, it being a bill to amend the Constitution.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Brand,	McMillan,	Starr,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Craig,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Ryals,	Wade,
Johnson,	Roberts,	Whitley,
Keen,	Sheppard,	Williams.
Lewis,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brown,	McGarrity,	Sead.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	McGregor,	Osborne,
Boyd,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Mr. President.
Harrison,		

Yeas 31    Nays 3.    Not voting 10.

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report, to wit :

*Mr President :*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under

consideration the following bills, which they recommend do pass, the proofs being correct, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to create a county court in each county of the State of Georgia, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January 19, 1872, and all acts amendatory thereof, so far as the same apply to the county of Gwinnett.

A bill to be entitled an act to establish the city court of Gwinnett in and for the county of Gwinnett; to define its jurisdiction and power; to provide for the appointment of a judge and other officers thereof; to define their powers and duties, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, so as to authorize the mayor and council of said city to elect a mayor *pro tem.* to perform all the duties and exercise all powers and functions of the mayor of said city during the absence of the mayor from the city or during his sickness, or when otherwise disqualified.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate to make penal the selling or buying of seed cotton in the county of Columbia, and for other purposes, which was made a special order for this day, was taken up as such, and, on motion of Mr. Snead, was laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House for the protection of fish in Fannin county, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Atlanta, November 7, 1895.

*To the General Assembly of Georgia:*

I transmit herewith a copy of a letter received by me from a committee from the Atlanta bar, tendering to the State the portrait of Hon. N. J. Hammond, now in the State library.

I informed the committee that their communication would be transmitted to the General Assembly, that suitable action might be taken upon their tender of the portrait of this distinguished Georgian.

W Y ATKINSON, Governor.

ATLANTA, GA., August 15, 1895.

*To His Excellency, W Y Atkinson, Governor:*

On behalf of the bar of Atlanta the undersigned committee beg to present to you, as representing the State of Georgia, an excellent portrait of Hon. N. J. Hammond, lately executed at the instance of the members of the bar here, and to ask that it may be displayed at the capitol in such position as you may designate, with that of other eminent Georgians already on the walls of the edifice.

It is believed that no Georgian of his generation is more worthy of this honor than the distinguished citizen whose portrait is thus offered the State. As attorney-general of the commonwealth during the administration of Governor J. M. Smith, as a conspicuous member of the convention which framed the Constitution of 1877, as representative in Congress from the Atlanta district, as a lawyer in active practice for a great many years, all of which time he occupied an enviable standing, and in which relation his usefulness is still unimpaired; as a friend of popular education, as evidence of his long and faithful service on the board of

education of the city of Atlanta, and as a member and chairman of the board of trustees of the State University, his very valuable services to the people of Georgia are generally known and widely appreciated; and it is not out of place to add that his private life has also been an exemplary one.

We feel sure that not only his fellow-citizens of Atlanta, but also those of the whole State will be gratified at the opportunity of keeping in this durable form the excellent likeness of this prominent Georgian.

Thanking your Excellency in advance for the granting of this request, we have the honor to be,

Your obedient servants,

(Signed)      J. A. ANDERSON,  
THOMAS W. LATHAM,  
CHAS. W. SMITH.

The foregoing message and accompanying document were taken up and read.

The bill of the House to provide penalties for certain violations of the penal laws of this State, etc., which was taken up on its third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Boyd, laid on the table for the present.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act approved November 27, 1890, entitled an act to create a new charter for the city of Columbus, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to require that all convict-made brooms sold in this State be stamped in such

manner as to show that the same are made by convict labor.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Osborne, the resolution of the Senate to reopen assessment against the Savannah Street Railroad was taken from the table, and was agreed to by the Senate.

Mr. Beeks offered a joint resolution tendering thanks to the Atlanta bar for the portrait of the distinguished statesman, N. J. Hammond, and appointing a committee to receive the same and have it placed in position in the State capitol.

This resolution was unanimously agreed to.

At the hour of 11 o'clock A. M. the President announced that the time had arrived for the General Assembly to meet in joint session, whereupon the Senate, in a body, preceded by the President *pro tem.* and the Secretary, repaired to the Hall of Representatives, and were received by the House of Representatives, standing.

The President *pro tem.* took the chair, and called the General Assembly to order.

He then instructed the Secretary to read the resolution under which the joint session was convened, which resolution provides that the General Assembly will meet in joint session at 11 o'clock Thursday, November 7, 1895, to hear an address of the Hon. G. R. Glenn, State School Commissioner, on the educational interests of Georgia.

The Hon. G. R. Glenn, having been presented to the General Assembly, proceeded to deliver his address. At the close thereof the joint session was, on motion, dissolved.

The Senate returned to the Senate Chamber, and was called to order by the President *pro tem.*

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to authorize the city of Thomasville to issue bonds to the extent of \$35,000 to pay

for improvements, after submitting the question of bonds or no bonds to the qualified voters of said city.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, went into executive session, and having spent some time therein returned to open session.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bills, and recommend that they do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved December 26, 1888, to require any corporation or person doing business in this State to redeem in cash any scrip, checks, or written evidence of indebtedness for wages of laborers.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to enable said city to issue and exchange, or to issue and sell, bonds to retire its bonded debt which matures in 1896.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Rome so as to repeal section 46 of the act of the General Assembly, approved September 25, 1883, then known as the charter of Rome ; and so as to repeal an act to authorize and empower the mayor and city council of Rome to adjust and settle the present bonded debt of the city, and provide for the payment of the same, passed on the 28th day of February, 1876, so far as any future issue of bonds or debts are concerned ; and so as to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the charters of the city of Rome, etc., passed on the 26th day of December, 1890 ; and so as

to repeal sections 3 and 5 of an act authorizing the mayor and council of the city of Rome to make a temporary loan or loans to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, etc., passed on the 21st day of December, 1893.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to create a water commission for the city.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the corporate limits of the city of Rome, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. McClure and Harrison.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to require the road commissioners of Bibb county to work the convict force at such times and places and in such manner as they may be directed by the county board of commissioners of Bibb county, upon the public bridges, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for the removal of obstructions from the streams of Hart county, excepting dams used for operating mills, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.



The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Friday, November 8, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Johnson,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Keen,	Roberts,
Bush,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Long,	Storey,
Boyd,	Little,	Sanford,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brown,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Starr,
Craig,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Williams,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Wilcox,
McGregor,	Tatum,	Whitley.
Morton,	Wilson,	

Mr. Beeks, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Whitley on account of sickness.

On the call of the roll for the introduction of new matter, the following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Long—

A bill to reincorporate the town of Elberton, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Cumming—

A bill to amend section 4 of the act approved December 23, 1884, in reference to funding the public debt, so as to authorize new registered bonds to be issued in lieu of the old bonds that may be transferred, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Lewis—

A bill to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds and negotiate the same for the purpose of raising money with which to pay off an amount of the public debt maturing July 1, 1896, which is not provided for by the sinking fund that will be in the treasury at such time, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President announced as the committee, under a joint resolution of the Senate to appoint a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House, to inquire what lessees of convicts are in arrears to the State, Messrs. Sanford and Tatum.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, and recommend that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the board of commissioners of roads and revenues of the county of Glynn to issue coupon bonds of said county in a sum not exceeding sixty-nine thousand dollars, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Sheppard, chairman *pro tem*. of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following bills and resolutions and find them properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to require all convict-made brooms sold in this State to be stamped.

A resolution tendering thanks to the Atlanta bar for the portrait of the distinguished statesman, N. J. Hammond.

A resolution reopening assessment Savannah Street Railroad.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend paragraph 1 of section 2 of article 6 of the Constitution of the State, so as to increase the number of supreme court judges from three to five.

A resolution appointing a committee from the Senate and House as to what companies are in arrears for convicts.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman *pro tem*.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Callaway, to wit :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 144, by Senator Cumming of the Eighteenth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend section 3910(b) of the Code, and to provide for the revision of the jury lists annually in those counties within whose limits there is an incorporated town of ten thousand or more inhabitants.

Also, Senate bill No. 162, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2005 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Also, House bill No. 137, by Mr. Dodson of Sumter, which is a bill to be entitled an act to compel insurance companies to pay the full amount of loss sustained upon property covered by policies of insurance up to the amount expressed in the policies, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the amendment of the House be concurred in, to wit :

Senate bill No. 78, by Senator Cumming of the Eighteenth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the method of attestation and acknowledgment of deeds to realty and personalty executed without the State, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute, to wit :

Senate bill No. 195, by Senator Brand of the Thirty-fourth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved December 6, 1880, making it the duty of the clerk of the county court to select a judge should the parties litigant fail or refuse to agree upon counsel, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 138, by Senator Long of the Thirtieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of an insurance commissioner for the State of Georgia, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The President announced as the committee on the part of the Senate, under joint resolution of the Senate, tendering thanks to the bar of Atlanta for the gift of a portrait of Hon. N. J. Hammond, Messrs. Beeks and Harris of the Twenty-second district.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county of the State of Georgia, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January 19, 1872, and all

acts amendatory thereof as far as the same apply to the county of Gwinnett.

A bill to establish the city court of Gwinnett county, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to amend an act of General Assembly, approved December 6, 1886, making it the duty of the clerk of the county court to select a judge when the parties litigant fail or refuse to agree.

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to amend section 3910(c) of the Code, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 2005 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to repeal an act approved December 26, 1888, to require any corporation or person doing business in this State to redeem in cash any scrip, checks, or other written evidence of indebtedness for wages of laborers.

On motion of Mr. Cumming, the bill of the Senate to prescribe the method of attestation and acknowledgment of deeds of realty and personalty, executed without the State, to authorize their record in this State, and for other purposes, which was passed by the House with an amendment, was taken up and the amendment of the House was concurred in.

The following message was received from the House through M. A. Hardin, the Clerk thereof.

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Albany, and the several acts amendatory thereof, by changing the

term of the office of the mayor from one to two years, and for other purposes therein contained.

Also, a bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Abbeville, to provide for the support and maintenance of the same, and for other purposes.

The House has also adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution for the relief of J. S. McGahee.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration resolution No. 73, authorizing the doorkeeper to appoint one additional assistant doorkeeper during the present session, which they direct me to report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

By resolution of Mr. Starr, the Hon. W. C. Martin, of the county of Whitfield, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

At the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M. the President *pro tem.* announced that the hour had arrived for the General Assembly to meet in joint session.

Whereupon, the Senate in a body, preceded by the President *pro tem.* and the Secretary, repaired to the Hall of Representatives, and being announced by the doorkeeper, were received by the House of Representatives standing.

The President *pro tem.* took the chair and called the General Assembly to order.

By direction of the presiding officer the Secretary read the resolution under authority of which the joint session was convened, viz.:

A resolution inviting the Chancellor of the State University to address the General Assembly at 10 o'clock A. M. this day.

The Chancellor of the State University, Rev. W. E. Boggs, being presented to the General Assembly, proceeded to deliver his address, at the close of which the joint session was dissolved. The Senate returned to the Senate Chamber and was called to order by the President *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. Cumming, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourns this day, it will adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M., Monday.

On motion of Mr. Lumpkin, the following message of of the Governor and the accompanying document were taken up and read :

STATE OF GEORGIA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

ATLANTA, November 8, 1895.

*To the General Assembly of Georgia :*

I herewith transmit a copy of resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Cotton States and International Exposition, and a letter from Director-General C. A. Collier, that they may be read and suitable action be taken thereon.

I hope the General Assembly will comply with the request made, and appoint a joint committee to arrange a program for Georgia day.

W Y ATKINSON, Governor.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,  
November 4, 1895.

Mr. Atkinson presented a resolution prepared by him, relative to "Georgia Day"; and

WHEREAS, It is especially desired that the people of Georgia should, as far as possible, lay aside business on that day, and visit the Exposition; and

WHEREAS, By the efforts of comparatively a few men the grandest Exposition (except the World's Fair at Chicago) has been completed and is ready for the inspection of the people of the State at their very doors; and

WHEREAS, The people of the State could not possibly spend their time or money in a more beneficial manner than in a visit to the great Exposition, where exhibits illustrative of the varied resources, practically of the whole country, and in many respects of the world, have been placed in a magnificent group of buildings, and in grounds which either in daytime or at night, when illuminated, offer a dream of beauty rivaling Chicago, and where the contents of these buildings are object-lessons, in many respects more striking and better arranged and more readily comprehended than any that have ever been gathered together at a similar exhibition; and

WHEREAS, The opportunity of a lifetime is offered to the people of Georgia, and every man, woman, and child in the South should visit the Exposition on account of its educational features, and because it will be of untold benefit to every intelligent person who visits it, in quickening impulses and as an inspiration to greater efforts, and as a complete education in itself; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the management of the Cotton States and International Exposition Company respectfully request the Governor of the State, the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, and all of the officers of the State government to take this day in charge and to issue

such proclamations, and to use all and every agency by which the people of the entire State in this day may be stirred up to enthusiasm, so that this day, set apart as indicated above, will be in truth "Georgia Day," and so that the people of the State may show that they fully appreciate the opportunities offered them for deriving benefit from this great exhibition, which is in itself a liberal education, and from which more good can be derived by them in a few days than they could possibly obtain from years of study.

ATLANTA, November 6, 1895.

*Hon. W Y Atkinson, Governor of the State of Georgia,  
Atlanta, Ga.:*

DEAR SIR :—I beg to advise you that the board of directors of the Cotton States and International Exposition Company have set apart Tuesday, November 19, as "Georgia Day," and most respectfully request that the General Assembly, through proper committees, take charge of the day and arrange such program for exercises as in their judgment will be suitable for the occasion. By resolution from the board a committee from the Exposition has been arranged, consisting of Mr. T. B. Neal, Mr. E. P. Chamberlain, and Mr. H. E. W. Palmer, to co-operate with such committees as may be appointed by the General Assembly, and upon notification of your committees will be glad to meet with them at any time. It is the purpose and desire of the Exposition company to make this, if possible, the red-letter day of the Exposition, and we confidently rely upon the public spirit and patriotism of the General Assembly to give the matter such direction as will redound to the credit of the State. With sentiments of the highest regard, I am very truly yours,

(Signed)

C. A. COLLIER,  
President and Director-General.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome so as to enable said city to issue and exchange, or to issue and sell, bonds to retire the bonded debt maturing in 1896.

A bill to authorize the board of commissioners of roads and revenues of Glynn county to issue coupon bonds of said county, not exceeding \$69,000, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, for funding the present bonded debt of said county, incurred prior to the Constitution of 1877, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton so as to provide for the election of a mayor *pro tem.*, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to create a water commission, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to amend the charter of Rome so as to repeal section 46 of an act passed September 25, 1883, then known as the charter of Rome, and repeal an act to authorize the mayor and city council of Rome to adjust and settle the present bonded debt of said city, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to change the corporate limits of Rome, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the Senate took up and agreed to a resolution authorizing the doorkeeper to appoint one additional assistant doorkeeper during the present session.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Monday, November 11, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Snead,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Starr,
Brand,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Brown,	McGregor,	Wilcox,
Cumming,	Monro,	Wade,
Craigo,	McGarrity,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Osborne,	
Keen,	Ryals,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d,	Norman,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	Roberts,	Williams.
Harrison,	Sanford,	
Morton,	Upchurch,	

Mr. Beeks, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Cumming, of the Eighteenth district, in behalf of himself and other members of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following minority report :

*Mr President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration House bill No. 137, by Mr. Dodson of Sumter, in reference to payment of losses by fire insurance companies, and the undersigned, as a minority report, recommend that the bill do not pass, because—

1. It would destroy one of the safeguards against incendiarism, and remove one of the strongest inducements to the insured to exercise the highest care to guard his premises against destruction by fire.

2. Because, in our opinion, it would tend to increase the cost of insurance without any corresponding benefits to the insured.

3. Because, in our opinion, one of the results of the bill would be to prevent many persons living in outlying county districts from getting any insurance.

We further recommend, in view of the importance of this bill, that one hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate.

BRYAN CUMMING,  
TRAMMELL STARR,  
W P WADE,  
WALTER C. BEEKS,  
W W OSBORNE,

Members of Judiciary Committee.

The request of the minority of the Committee on the General Judiciary for the printing of one hundred copies of the bill mentioned in said minority report was granted.

On motion of Mr. Osborne the bill referred to in said report was made the special order for 11 o'clock A. M. Thursday, the 14th instant.

By resolution of Mr. Storey, the Hon. H. E. Wooteh, of Dougherty county, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Mr. Tatum, chairman *pro tem.* of the Penitentiary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Penitentiary Committee have had under consideration the following joint resolution, and recommend that it do pass as amended, to wit:

A joint resolution appointing two from the Senate and three from the House to investigate the convicts of this State.

Respectfully submitted.

G. W. M. TATUM, Chairman *pro tem*.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the following joint resolutions, with which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution to pay Hon. Columbus Blair mileage and per diem.

Also, a resolution appointing a joint committee of three from the Senate and five from the House to take charge of the arrangements for "Georgia Day," November 19, 1895, at the Cotton States and International Exposition. The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Howell, Rockwell, Wright, Giles, and Battle.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit:

A resolution tendering thanks to Atlanta bar for the portrait of the distinguished statesman, N. J. Hammond, and appointing a committee to receive the same and have it placed in position in the State capitol. The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Hall, McDonald, and Peoples.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit:

By Mr. Bussey—

A bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district—

A bill to prescribe the time for opening the schools of Bibb county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Johnson—

A bill to prohibit a greater commission than four per cent. for negotiating loans, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Johnson—

A bill to amend section 2057(a) of the Code of 1882, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Johnson—

A bill to abolish the city court of Jackson county.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Mercer—

A bill to require the judges of the superior courts to select and appoint an official organ in the several counties of the State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Whitley—

A bill to make prize-fighting a felony, prescribing a penalty, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to repeal an act entitled an act to amend section 3910(b) of the Code and to pro-

vide for the revision of the jury lists annually in those counties within whose limits there is an incorporated town of ten thousand or more inhabitants.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 2005 of the Code of 1882, which provides that every person claiming the benefit of the exemption of personal property shall make a full disclosure of all the personal property of which he may be possessed, and other provisions to prevent fraud upon creditors, so that, when amended, the person claiming the homestead exemption in real or personal property, or both, shall be required to disclose in his schedule all the real and personal property of which he may be possessed.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

The following bill of the Senate, which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion, laid on the table, to wit:

To repeal an act approved December 26, 1888, to require any corporation or person doing business in this State to redeem in cash any scrip, check, or other written evidence of indebtedness for wages of laborers.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act approved December 6, 1880, making it the duty of the clerk of the county court to select a judge should the parties litigant fail or refuse to agree upon counsel, instead of having the case transferred to the superior court, and for other purposes.



The committee reported in favor of the passage of the bill by substitute, which was adopted.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed as amended by substitute—ayes 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to repeal an act entitled an act to create a county court in each county of the State, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January, 1872, and all acts amendatory thereof so far as the same apply to the county of Gwinnett.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to establish the city court of Gwinnett in and for the county of Gwinnett; to define its jurisdiction and powers; to provide for the appointment of a judge and other officers thereof, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 25, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Beeks, the joint resolution from the House relating to Georgia day was taken up and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Beeks, it was ordered that the committee on the part of the Senate shall embrace the name of the President of the Senate.

The said committee consists of Messrs. Beeks, Sheppard and Venable, the President.

Mr. Boyd, chairman of the committee appointed at the last session to examine the work of the compilers of the Code, submitted a report, which was read and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Boyd introduced the following bill, which was read and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to approve, adopt, and make of force the Code of Laws prepared under the direction and by authority of the General Assembly; to provide for the printing and publication of the same, and to make indexes thereto, and for other purposes.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on a resolution authorizing and directing the Comptroller-General to reopen the matter of assessments of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company.

The report was agreed to, and the resolution, being read the second time, was adopted.

By request of Mr. Lewis, he was excused from servicing on the Committee on the Northeastern Railroad, and Mr. Starr was appointed in his stead.

By request of Mr. Snead, he was excused from servicing on the Committee to visit the State Normal School, and in his place Mr. Mercer was appointed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Sanford, Boyd, Mercer, Starr, and Sheppard to visit the State Normal School at Athens, Ga.

By resolution of Mr. Brand, the privileges of the Senate chamber were extended to Governor Watson of the State of Delaware, Hon. John R. Nicholson, and Hon. J. Harvey Whiteman during their stay in this city

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, so as to make it the duty of the clerk of the council to collect all property taxes and license fees due the said city, etc., and recommend that it do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem*. of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, and recommend that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved August 22, 1883, incorporating the town of Morganton.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Mercer offered the following resolution, which was agreed, to wit:

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives has invited the Hon. Charles F Crisp to address the General Assembly on the issues of the day ;

*Resolved*, That the Senate join with the House in that request.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Long.

Mr. McMillan introduced a bill to authorize the Governor to appoint military officers, without salary, and for other purposes, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to enable said city to issue and exchange, or to issue and sell, bonds to retire its bonded debt which matures in the year 1896.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to change the corporate limits of the city of Rome so as to include therein the following described land : Beginning at the northwest corner of land lot 237 ; thence along the line between land lots 203 and 204 to the right of the Rome and Decatur Railway ; thence westerly along said right of way to the east side of West street in West Rome ; thence southerly along said east side to Howard avenue ; thence along the east side of Howard avenue to the right of way of the Chattanooga, Rome and Columbus Railroad ; thence easterly along said right of way to the present corporate limits of Rome.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to repeal section 46 of the act of the General Assembly, approved September 25, 1883, then known as the “charter of Rome”; and so as to repeal an act to authorize and empower the mayor and city council of Rome to adjust and settle the present bonded debt of the city and provide for the payment of the same, passed on the 28th day of February, 1876, so far as any future issue of bonds or debts are concerned ; and so as to repeal an act to amend the charter of the city of Rome, etc., passed on the 26th day of December, 1890 ; and so as to repeal sections 3

and 5 of an act authorizing the mayor and council of the city of Rome to make a temporary loan or loans to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, etc., passed on the 21st of December, 1893.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to create a water commission for said city, to define its powers and duties, to prevent the pollution of the city water, damage to its waterworks, and to make it the duty of the commissioner to try or prosecute all persons injuring or damaging the same.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to authorize the board of commissioners of roads and revenues of the county of Glynn to issue coupon bonds of said county in a sum not exceeding sixty-nine thousand dollars, having interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, for the purpose of refunding the present bonded indebtedness of said county incurred prior to the Constitution of 1877; to provide for the levy and collection of a tax for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon, and for the establishment of a sinking fund and commissioners therefor; to provide the manner in which said bonds may be issued and paid off; to authorize the said board to settle and adjust the debts of said county, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, so as to authorize the mayor and council of said city to elect a mayor *pro tem.* to perform the duties and exercise all the powers and functions of the mayor of said city during the absence of the mayor from the city, or during his sickness, or when otherwise disqualified.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes, 29 nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Storey, the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Albany, etc., and for other purposes, was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By general consent, Mr. Osborne introduced a bill to amend the general railroad law of 1892.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Senate adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Tuesday, November 12, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Keen,	Osborne,
Bush,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Boyd,	Long,	Roberts,
Brown,	Little,	Storey.

Cumming,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Craig,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	Mercer,	Wade,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Williams,
Harrison,	McClure,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Norman,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Morton,	Tatum,
Bussey,	Sheppard,	Upchurch,
Brand,	Sanford,	Wilson,
McGregor,	Starr,	Wilcox.

Mr. Monro, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing, with accompanying document.

The communication referred to in the foregoing message was, on motion, taken up and read, as follows, and fifty copies thereof were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate, to wit:

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

ATLANTA, GA., November 12, 1895.

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly:*

In my communication to you in 1894 I recommended that provision be made for State supervision of misdemeanor convicts. After the adjournment of the General Assembly reports reached me touching the management of these convicts, which indicate such a state of affairs that I

felt it my duty as the Chief Executive of the State, charged with the obligation to see to the proper enforcement of the law, to investigate and place before you facts showing the true state of affairs, that the subject might be intelligently considered and wisely acted upon by you.

To perform this important work, I engaged the Hon. R. F. Wright, who had faithfully and efficiently performed the duties of Assistant Keeper of the Penitentiary during the term of my immediate predecessor, to visit each camp in the State where misdemeanor convicts were worked, and make a thorough investigation and report to me.

This task he has partially completed, and I herewith send you his report upon the camps visited. It reveals such inhuman and barbarous conduct upon the part of some of those engaged in working this class of convicts that comment by me is unnecessary to induce you to act promptly to save our State from longer submitting to this burning shame.

There is but one remedy for the deplorable conditions now existing, and that is through State supervision by which uniform treatment can be required under one set of rules enforced by our penitentiary department. I ask that you give this valuable report, which I now submit to you, careful consideration, and to the subject upon which it bears, that attention which its importance demands. The special report made to me upon each camp visited gives in detail the result of Mr. Wright's investigation and is subject to inspection by such committee as may have in charge legislation upon this subject.

W. Y. ATKINSON,  
Governor.



*To His Excellency, W Y Atkinson, Governor:*

SIR:—Having been requested by you to report on the work in which I have been engaged for the past month or two, viz.: inspecting the condition of the misdemeanor chain-gangs of the State, and the convicts therein confined, I beg to submit the following, although the inspection has not yet been completed, as there still remains perhaps fifteen chain-gangs which I have not visited, including those located in the most populous counties in the State.

Since my employment I have visited thirty-three chain-gangs, located in the following counties: Oglethorpe, Coffee, Dooly, Wilcox, Lowndes, Echols, Laurens, Baldwin, Putnam, Wilkes, Newton, Jasper, Morgan, Berrien, Lee, Irwin, Pulaski, Washington, Ware, Thomas, Emanuel, Jefferson, and Greene, and to the best of my ability, investigated each thoroughly and conscientiously, with the single idea of ascertaining and reporting the true condition of each, and of the systems under which they are operated.

Of the thirty-three camps visited, twenty-six are worked by private individuals, and are of that class which the Supreme Court has recently held to be illegal, and of the remaining seven, five are regularly organized county chain-gangs, and two are worked jointly by county and municipal authorities.

The total number of convicts imprisoned in these gangs is seven hundred and ninety-five (795), of which there are twenty-seven white males, no white females, seven hundred and forty-nine (749) colored males, and nineteen colored females.

The average length of sentence I found to be nine months. Average number of hours worked per day, ten, with an average rest of one hour.

These convicts are employed in farming, saw-milling, brick-making, turpentine farms, and a few on public roads.

In the private gangs where the convicts are leased or hired to private individuals, the hire per month ranges from three to six dollars per capita, the average being about five dollars per month.

Generally the whites and blacks are not chained together, nor are the males and females, but they are worked together indiscriminately, and in many of the gangs practically no provision is made for a separation of races or sexes during the day, or at night in sleeping quarters.

There are among this number many convicts still under their majority, and I found eleven under the age of fourteen.

Very little attention is given to the comfort or sanitary condition of the sleeping quarters; some sleep in rude houses with no floors, some in tents on the bare ground, and a few in bunks. The bedding is generally scant and filthy, frequently full of vermin. In a number of the camps no fire is allowed even in the coldest weather. The ventilation generally is very poor and insufficient; in many instances in summer the sleeping quarters are veritable sweat boxes, being constructed only with a view to preventing escapes, comfort and sanitary conditions being entirely ignored.

With few exceptions, I found no hospital buildings for the sick, and no preparation for their care, comfort, or medical treatment.

In fact, it seems to be expected that misdemeanor convicts never get sick, or require no treatment if they do; one superintendent having boasted that in his gang, which averages twenty-five convicts, "he had not had a physician in five years," and yet, in one gang of eighteen men, I found there had been eight deaths in the past twelve months. In the vicinity of a few camps, I found physi-

cians residing who are called in when needed, but most of the gangs are practically without physicians, one being sent for only in extreme cases.

In a few of the camps the convicts are fairly fed, but generally the food, which consists of cornbread and fried meat, with no change from day to day, is scant and meager, and really insufficient to sustain health and strength.

The clothing is generally scant and filthy, some convicts going weeks without a change; hence vermin of all kind are not infrequent.

At some camps, only cotton clothes are used winter and summer, and at a number of camps, the convicts had no clothes except what they were then wearing.

I found female prisoners working side by side with their male confederates, dressed in full male attire, the authorities claiming that "this mode of dress was less in the way, and besides it seemed to be the tendency of the "new woman." "

With one or two exceptions, no record is kept showing name of convict, crime of which convicted, term, date received, date discharged, or record of daily conduct upon which the good time allowed by law should be based.

In many cases the convicts had to be looked up and counted before I could ascertain how many were in the gang. It was impossible to learn, on this account, how many convicts have been held beyond the term imposed by the courts; but, from my observation, taken in connection with other facts which will hereafter be mentioned, I am satisfied such cases occur not infrequently.

At some camps the authorities have required convicts to make up all time lost by sickness, and in some cases where an escape was recaptured, his term has doubled without indictment, trial, or authority of law, as I was reliably informed. The act of 1884 allows a convict commutation eight days off of a twelve months' sentence. I found that

this law has never been observed, except in three out of the thirty-three gangs visited, notwithstanding this law has been on the statute books for the past ten years.

At many camps I found no regular whipping-boss, but all guards and bosses carried straps and punished the convicts *ad libitum*, and from this fact have gone out the reports, in many cases too true, of cruelty and inhuman treatment.

Without encumbering my report with the many cases which were discovered of ill treatment and cruelty, I shall mention one which only illustrates the others. At one camp I found five convicts who had been so severely punished that though three or four weeks had elapsed, the effects were still plainly visible on my visit.

Judging from the condition of these convicts at the time of my visit, the punishment must have been cruel, brutal, savage, and barbarous. Many similar cases came under my observation.

The deaths for the past twelve months, so far as could be ascertained, amounted to twenty-seven, a rate more than double the mortality in the State penitentiary. These deaths were reported to me by the superintendent or lessee, from memory only, there being no record kept from which this data or any other could be ascertained.

Escapes are very frequent, there having been ninety-eight reported to me at the camps visited during the past twelve months, or more than twelve per cent. of the whole number confined therein.

With this report I send in to your Excellency the details of my investigation of each camp, upon which this general report is based, and which will give some idea of the scope of the investigation made, and I trust will to some extent illustrate the magnitude of the undertaking and the care, with which I endeavored to ascertain the facts.

I cannot close this report without commending your Ex-

cellency for endeavoring to procure some legislation which will bring this system into order and regularity, properly punish the unfortunate criminals, but at the time afford them protection and humane treatment. It is a disgrace to civilization that, when most of the misdemeanor convicts go from the courts to the chain-gangs, they are sold bodily for the term of their sentence, often to private parties who are responsible to none for their treatment.

Many of the lessees I found to be good business men, intelligent and humane, who are anxious to be informed of their duty under the few laws now of force touching the misdemeanor chain-gangs, and who expressed themselves as thoroughly in accord with your Excellency in endeavoring to improve the system by proper legislation.

Realizing and appreciating the evils, they yet feel powerless to correct many of them under the existing statutes, and would hail with delight any legislation which would correct the evils, and bring the various gangs under one general uniform management.

I am glad to report also that the people of Georgia are awakening to the true condition of the chain-gangs, and are demanding legislation which will correct the many evils.

When I shall have finished the inspection, I shall make to your Excellency a complete and more comprehensive report, going more in detail, and giving it that thorough preparation which I could not give to this, owing to the hurried manner in which it was prepared.

In the meantime, I have the honor of subscribing myself,

Very truly yours,

R. F. WRIGHT.

The foregoing communication of the Governor and accompanying document were, on motion, referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, and after carefully considering the same, have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 169, by Senator Bush of the Eighth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 4625(c) of the Code, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 189, by Senator Starr of the Forty-third, which is a bill to be entitled an act to define the right and privileges of foreign guardians and trustees, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 190, by Senator Tatum of the Forty-fourth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to rearrange the Cherokee and Rome circuits, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended, to wit:

Senate bill No. 66, by Senator Monro of the Twenty-fourth, which is a bill to be entitled an act making it unlawful for municipal corporations to levy a tax or license upon any non-resident manufacturer, merchant, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the introducer be allowed to withdraw same, to wit:

Senate bill No. 172, by Senator Harris of the Third, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1711

of the Code of 1882, by striking all of said section commencing immediately after the word "the" in the third line of said section, and substituting therefor the following, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 165, by Senator Beeks of the Twenty-sixth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to confer on the official stenographic reporters of the respective judicial circuits of the State, and their successors in office, the powers and duties of commercial notaries public, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 180, by Senator Long of the Thirtieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to require all persons who carry about their persons any pistol, dirk, sword in cane, spear, or bowie-knife to register in every county where the same are carried, etc.

Also, House bill No. 201, by Mr. Armstrong of Wilkes, which is a bill to be entitled an act for the better collection of tax executions in this State.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

By resolution of Mr. McClure, the Hon. John H. Davis of the county of Towns, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

By resolution of Mr. Mercer, the Hon. A. J. Fleming was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Mr. Beeks offered the following resolution, which was read and agreed to, to wit :

A resolution requesting the State School Commissioner to have his recent address and that of the Chancellor of the State University printed.

The bill of the Senate making it unlawful for municipal corporations to levy a tax or license upon any non-resident manufacturer, merchant, trader, or their traveling salesmen, was taken up for a third reading, and, on motion of Mr. Monro, was made the special order for Thursday, the 14th instant.

The following bills of the Senate, taken up under adverse reports of the General Judiciary Committee, were, on motion, laid on the table, to wit :

A bill to provide for the appointment of an insurance commissioner and a clerk to said commissioner, for the State.

Also, a bill to require all persons who carry about their persons any pistol, dirk, etc., to register in every county where the same are carried.

The following bills of the Senate were withdrawn, with consent of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to amend section 1711 of the Code.

A bill to amend section 4766 of the Code.

A bill to authorize the State Librarian to appoint and remove his assistant."

Also, a bill to provide for the election of the clerk of the county commissioners of Fulton county by the people.

The following bills of the Senate, adversely reported, were taken up and lost, by agreement with said reports, to wit :

A bill to provide for recording chattel mortgages on real estate in separate books, etc.



Also, a bill to confer on official stenographers the powers and duties of commercial notaries public.

Mr. Mercer, by general consent, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads, to wit :

A bill to prevent dealing in railroad tickets by other than authorized agents of railroad companies.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, introduced a bill to amend the charter of the city of Macon, and for other purposes, which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following bills, and find them properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, to wit :

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to amend section 3910(b) of the Code, and to provide for the revision of the jury lists annually in those counties within whose limits there is an incorporated town of ten thousand or more inhabitants.

Also, a bill to amend section 2005 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to amend an act approved December 6, 1880, making it the duty of the clerk of the county court to select a judge should the parties litigant fail or refuse to agree upon counsel, instead of having the case transferred to the superior court, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to repeal an act entitled an act to create a county court in each county of the State, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January, 1872, and all acts amendatory thereof, so far as the same apply to the county of Gwinnett.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Cumming, of the Eighteenth, acting chairman of the Corporation Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations instruct me to report House bill No. 459, being an act to amend the charter of Albany, with recommendation that it be read a second time and recommitted.

BRYAN CUMMING,  
Acting Chairman Corporation Committee.

The bill mentioned in the foregoing report was, in accordance with the recommendation thereof, read the second time and recommitted.

By resolution of Mr. Mercer, Messrs. J. D. Hern and H. W. Clark of Pittsburg, Pa., were tendered seats in the Senate during their stay in the city.

The joint resolution of the Senate providing for a joint committee to investigate the convicts of this State was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to amend section 4625 of the Code.

A bill to define the rights and privileges of foreign guardians and trustees, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to reorganize the Cherokee and Rome judicial circuits.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were read the first time, and referred as severally indicated, to wit:

A bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Abbeville, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to grant to the mayor and aldermen of Savannah a strip of land in Crawford ward, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to amend section 534 of the Code, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A resolution for the relief of J. S. McGahee of McDuffie county.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a resolution to pay Hon. Columbus Blair mileage, and per diem.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton.

Also, a bill to repeal an act approved August 22, 1883, incorporating the town of Morganton, and all amendments thereto.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, November 13, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Little,	Storey,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brown,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Monro,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams,
Keen,	Roberts,	Mr. President.
Lewis,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bussey,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Brand,	McClure,	Wilson,
Craig,	Osborne,	Wilcox.
Harrison.		

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they recommend do pass, the proofs being correct, to wit :

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to provide compensation for election managers and clerks at all general and special elections held in Washington county, and for other purposes.

The following bills are returned to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit a greater commission than four per cent. for negotiating loans, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 2057(a) of the Code of 1882, by making it a penal offense to charge a greater rate of interest than is permitted by said section, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill by Mr. Rawlings of Washington, to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

The bills mentioned in the foregoing report, with recommendation that the same be recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee, were taken up and so recommitted.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the fol-

lowing bill and resolution and find the same correct and properly engrossed, to wit :

A bill to establish the city court of Gwinnett in and for the county of Gwinnett ; to define its jurisdiction and powers ; to provide for the appointment of a judge and other officers thereof, and for other purposes.

A resolution authorizing and directing the Comptroller-General to reopen the matter of assessments of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, and after carefully considering the same, have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 185, by Senator Wilcox of the Fifteenth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the qualifications for judges of city and county courts, etc.

Also, House bill No. 382, by Mr. Dodson of Sumter, which is a bill to be entitled an act to fix the payment of tales jurors, etc.

Also, House bill No. 410, by Mr. Fletcher of Irwin, which is a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the fall term of Irwin superior court, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Boyd, chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass by substitute, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities of this State, to provide for licensing the same, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

M. G. BOYD, Chairman.

Mr. Long, chairman Committee on Banks, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bill by Mr. Harris, of Twenty-second district, No. 173, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Macon Savings Bank, so as to authorize the directors to reduce the capital stock, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill by Mr. Mercer, of Ninth district, No. 174, which they recommend do pass :

A bill authorizing the payment of checks, drafts, and savings bank orders in case of death of drawer before payment, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bill, and after carefully considering the same, have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, proofs correct, to wit :

House bill No. 459, by Mr. Jones of Dougherty, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Albany and the several acts amendatory thereof, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majorities, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the deposit of money or securities by mutual life insurance companies of this State who seek to do business in other States.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to abolish the county court of Houston county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the removal of obstructions of all kinds, except mill dams, etc., in the running streams of Elbert county.

Also, a bill to prohibit the levying and collecting by any incorporated city, town, or village in this State of any license or tax on any traveling salesman for the taking of orders for the sale of goods, or selling goods by sample, where no actual delivery is made at the time of taking such orders.



Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the public school of Cochran, Pulaski county.

Also, a bill to define the liability of receivers, trustees, assignees, and other persons operating railroads in this State, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to make the personal earnings of a married woman, when working for any one other than her husband, her separate property, and not liable for the debts of her husband.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Guyton, to define the qualification of voters therein, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the removal of all obstructions in the running streams of Forsyth county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of alcoholic, spirituous, or malt liquors, or intoxicating bitters, or intoxicating drugs of any kind, in the county of Elbert, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to define the duties of receivers, trustees, assignees of corporations owning or operating property or franchises in this State, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, so as to require every person, firm, company, or corporation to register annually their trade, etc.

The House has also adopted the following resolutions, with which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution relieving Brunswick State bank and its sureties from payment of interest on *fi. fa.*

Also, a resolution convening a joint session of the House and Senate to hear the address of Hon. Charles F. Crisp on the public issues of the day, November, 13th, at 8 P. M.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bills, which they recommend be read the second time and recommitted to this committee, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to grant to the mayor and aldermen of Savannah a strip of land in Crawford ward, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to reincorporate the town of Elberton, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

On the call of the roll for the introduction of new matter the following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Brown—

A bill to amend the general tax act for 1895 and 1896, and for other purposes.

Referred to Finance Committee.

By Mr. Keen—

A bill to regulate the tolling of rice in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Tatum—

A bill to empower the Principal Physician of the Penitentiary to discharge subordinate physicians for neglect of duty, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

By Mr. Venable—

A bill to provide for election of the clerk of the commissioners of roads and revenues of Fulton county by the qualified voters of said county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Whitley—

A bill to transfer the county of Campbell from the Coweta judicial circuit to the Tallapoosa judicial circuit, and for other purposes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the bill of the House to regulate admission to the bar was taken from the table and recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Sneed offered a joint resolution providing for a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House to arrange for a reception by the General Assembly to Governor D. H. Hastings of Pennsylvania, and his escort.

This resolution was, on motion, taken up, read, agreed to, and, on motion of Mr. Sneed, ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House of Representatives.

The committee on the part of the Senate consists of Messrs. Sneed, and Harris of the Twenty-second district.

On motion of Mr. Boyd, the bill of the House to prescribe penalties for violation of the penal laws of the State, etc., and for other purposes, was taken from the table and put upon its passage.

The General Judiciary Committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute.

The substitute was amended, on motion of Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, as follows, to wit :

To amend the amendment by striking therefrom, in the last two lines of first page, the words "for not less than one year nor longer than twenty years," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "for the terms set forth in the several sections of the Code, or the law now of force prescribing the punishment of such offenses."

The substitute was further amended, on motion of Mr. Beeks, as follows : "If the judge trying the case sees proper he may, in his judgment, reduce the crime of such felony to that of a misdemeanor."

The substitute, as amended, was adopted.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and passed as amended—ayes 29, nays 0.

By general consent, Mr. Tatum introduced a bill to authorize justices of the peace or notaries public to preside in other districts than those to which they are elected or appointed in certain cases, and for other purposes.

This bill was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. Storey, took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Albany, etc., and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Storey the bill was ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, the joint resolution from the House, providing for a joint session of the General Assembly at 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of hearing an address of the Hon. C. F. Crisp, was taken up and concurred in.

By resolution of Mr. Roberts, the Hon. John Lindsay was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to abolish the county court of Houston county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to incorporate the public school of Cochran, Pulaski county.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to fix and define the liability of receivers, trustees, \* assignees, and other persons operating railroads in this State, or partially in this State, for injuries and damages to employees, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of alcoholic, spirituous, or malt liquors, or intoxicating bitters, or intoxicating drugs, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to define the duties, liabilities, and obligations of receivers, trustees, assignees of corporations owning or operating property or franchises in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to prohibit the levying or collecting, by any incorporated city, town, or village in this State of any license or tax on any traveling salesmen in taking orders for sale of goods, etc., where no actual delivery is made, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Guyton.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

A bill to provide for removal of all obstructions from the running streams of Forsyth county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to make the personal earnings of a married woman her separate property in certain cases.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to provide for the deposit of money or securities by mutual life insurance companies of this State who seek to do business in other States.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

And a bill to provide for removal of obstructions other than dams for operating machinery, from the streams of Elbert county, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Whitley, the Senate took up the report of the Committee on the Penitentiary on the resolu-

tion of the Senate providing for a joint committee of two from the Senate and three from the House to investigate the convicts of this State.

The committee reported in favor of the same, with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and agreed to as amended, there being ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate adjourned, on motion, until 8 o'clock P. M. this day

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8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President *pro tem.* presiding.

On motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The President *pro tem.* announced that the hour had arrived for meeting the House in joint session.

Whereupon, the Senate in a body, preceded by the President *pro tem.* and the Secretary, repaired to the hall of Representatives, and being announced by the doorkeeper, were received by the House of Representatives standing.

The President *pro tem.* took the chair, called the General Assembly to order, and caused the Secretary to read the resolution under which the joint session was convened, viz.:

A resolution that the General Assembly would convene in joint session to hear an address of the Hon. C. F. Crisp on the political issues of the day.

Mr. Crisp appeared and was introduced to the General Assembly by the presiding officer, and proceeded with his address; at the close of which the joint session was dissolved.

The Senate returned to the Senate Chamber, and being called to order, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Thursday, November 14, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Little,	Storey,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brand,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Brown,	McGregor,	Starr,
Cumming,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Wade,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Williams,
Johnson,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Keen,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Craigo,	Ryals,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Upchurch,	Wilcox.
McClure,		

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, through M. A. Hardin, Clerk thereof :



*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following House bill, to wit :

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of Waynesboro to issue bonds to the amount of \$7,000 to pay off bonds heretofore issued by said city, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

The House has also agreed to the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution inviting the Hon. Hoke Smith to address the General Assembly on the public issues of the day one evening next week, at his convenience.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate :

A resolution appointing a joint committee of two from the Senate and three from the House to arrange a reception by the General Assembly of Governor D. H. Hastings of Pennsylvania.

By resolution of Mr. Harris of the Twelfth district, Mr. J. R. Ellis was invited to a seat in the Senate.

Mr. Little introduced a bill to re-establish the Georgia Agricultural Station in immediate connection with the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in Clarke county, which was read the first time, and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrollment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate the following act and resolution.

An act to prescribe the method of attestation and acknowledgment of deeds to realty and personalty executed without the State, to authorize their record in this State, and for other purposes.

A resolution tendering thanks to the Atlanta bar for the portrait of the distinguished statesman, N. J. Hammond, and appointing a committee to receive the same and have it placed in position in the State capitol.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following engrossed resolutions, and find the same correct and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, to wit :

A resolution appointing two from the Senate and three from the House to investigate the convicts of this State.

Also, a resolution requesting State School Commissioner Glenn to have printed his recent address and that of the Chancellor of the University.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Lewis, chairman Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to releave and reimburse R. L. Swatts of Pike county for payment of forfeited bonds.

Also, a bill to amend the second section of an act entitled an act to fix the salary of the State librarian and assistant librarian.

Also, an act to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds and negotiate the same for the purpose of paying off any amount of the public debt maturing July 1, 1896, as amended.

They also recommend that the author of bill No. 130, amending section 2, paragraph 3 of the general tax act, be allowed to withdraw the same.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Little, of the Thirty-first district, chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Privileges and Elections have had under consideration a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1329 of the Code of 1882, to be so changed, so as the contestant shall give contestee notice of his intention to contest in ten days after the election, and contestee shall give counter-notice to contestant in fifteen days after the election, and they instruct me to report the same back, with the recommendation that the same do pass by substitute.

W R. LITTLE, Chairman.

By general consent Mr. Sheppard introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, to wit:

A bill to amend, revise, and consolidate the military laws of this State, to declare what military laws are of force, to repeal conflicting laws, and for other purposes.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, so as to make it the duty of the clerk of the council to collect all property taxes and license fees, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 4625(c) of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 23, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Long, the bill of the Senate to provide for the appointment of an insurance commissioner, etc., was taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to define the rights and privileges of foreign guardians and trustees, and for other purposes.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 30 nays 0.

At the hour of 11 o'clock A. M. the Senate took up for consideration the majority report and minority report of the General Judiciary Committee on the special order for this hour, to wit:

A bill of the House to compel insurance companies to pay the full amount of loss sustained upon property covered by policies of insurance up to the amount expressed in the policies, notwithstanding any stipulations in such policies to the contrary.

The majority report favored, and the minority report was in opposition to the passage of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Starr, the bill was amended by adding the following words at the close of the first section thereof: "Provided the loss does not exceed the amount expressed in the policy."

Mr. Cumming proposed to amend the bill as amended by striking out all after the word "void," in the sixth line of the first section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to wit:

"Provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to cotton in bales, naval stores, household and kitchen furniture, or stocks of goods, merchandise and other species of personal property, changing in specifics and quantity by the usual customs of trade."

The previous question was called and sustained, and the main question put.

On the question of adopting the proposed amendment of Mr. Cumming, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.

Cumming,  
Harris of the 3d,

Morton,  
Osborne,

Roberts,  
Wade.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.

Beeks,	Harris of the 22d,	Monro,
Broughton,	Johnson,	McGarrity,
Bush,	Lewis,	Storey,
Bussey,	Long,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Little,	Snead,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGregor,	Tatum.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Craig,	Norman,	Wilcox.
Harrison,	Ryals,	Whitley,
Keen,	Sheppard,	Williams,
McMillan,	Upchurch,	Mr. President,
McClure,	Wilson,	

Yeas 6. Nays 24. Not voting 14.

So the proposed amendment was not adopted.

The question recurring on the report of the committee, as amended, the same was adopted.

The bill was read the third time and, on the question of its passage, Mr. Cumming demanded the yeas and nays, which were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Johnson,	McGarrity,
Broughton,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Bush,	Long,	Storey,
Bussey,	Little,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	Monro,	Whitley.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Cumming,	Morton,	Wade.
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Craig,	Norman,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Wilcox,
Keen,	Sheppard,	Williams.
McClure,	Upchurch,	Mr. President.

Yeas 27    Nays 5.    Not voting 12.

So the bill was passed as amended.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Starr for to-morrow.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. M. A. Hardin, Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has agreed to the following House resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution including the governors of Massachusetts and New Jersey in the invitation to the reception at the Governor's mansion.

The resolution mentioned in the foregoing message was taken up and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Monro, the bill of the Senate making it unlawful for municipal corporations to levy a tax or license upon any non-resident manufacturer, merchant, trader, or their traveling salesmen, for selling goods, wares, merchandise, by sample, within their corporate limits, and for other purposes, which was a special order for this day, was laid on the table.

Mr. McGarrity introduced a bill to amend an act approved September 18, 1885, acts of 1885, pages 121, so as to prevent the manufacture of such liquors as are mentioned in the sixth section of said act.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Storey and to Mr. Tatum until Monday next.

The following resolution and bills were by general consent introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Bussey—

A resolution for the relief of J. D. Laing, etc.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

By Mr. Osborne—

A bill to amend paragraph 1, section 2 of article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, by Mr. Osborne—

A bill to propose an amendment to paragraph 4, section 2, article 7 of the Constitution of this State, so as to permit cities and towns of this State to exempt from taxation manufactories to be established within their limits for a given time.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Bush—

A bill to provide for distribution of all money derived from the hire of convicts convicted of the offense of mayhem, whereby any person or family has been rendered helpless, either mentally or physically, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.



By Mr. Sanford—

A bill to amend section 9 of an act approved February 25, 1876, to regulate the leasing of penitentiary convicts by the Governor, authorizing him to make contracts in relation thereto, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

By Mr. Whitley—

A bill to amend an act approved October 15, 1891, to authorize the judge of the superior court in any case of seduction or divorce, or other case where the evidence is vulgar or obscene, to hear and try the case after clearing the court of all or any portion of the audience, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the bill of the Senate to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities of this State, etc., was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Friday, November 15, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Johnson,	McGarrity,
Broughton.	Keen,	McClure,
Bussey,	Lewis,	Norman,
Brand,	Long,	Roberts,
Brown,	Little,	Sheppard,
Cumming,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Craig,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	Mercer,	Wade,
Harris of the 12th,	McGregor,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Monro,	Williams,
Harrison,	Morton,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	Storey,	Upchurch,
Boyd,	Snead,	Wilson,
Osborne,	Starr,	Wilcox.
Ryals,	Tatum,	

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct.

It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked :

A resolution convening the General Assembly in joint session, at 10:30 A. M., this the 15th instant, for the purpose of receiving their Excellencies, the Governors of Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, and their escorts.

On motion of Mr. Sneed, the resolution mentioned in the foregoing message was taken up and concurred in.

Mr. Whitley, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following bills, and find them correct and properly engrossed, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to amend section 4625(c) of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to define the rights and privileges of foreign trustees and guardians in this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, of the Third, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me to report, with the recommendation that the same be recommended to the General Judiciary Committee:

A bill to be entitled an act to transfer the county of Campbell from the Coweta judicial circuit, to change the time of holding superior court in Campbell county, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the county court of Houston county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Sanford, Chairman of the Committee on Penitentiary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Penitentiary have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to empower the principal physician of the penitentiary of this State to discharge subordinate physicians for neglect of duty or incompetency, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, to wit :

House bill No. 397, by Mr Meadow of Madison, which is a bill to be entitled an act to require judges of the superior courts of this State, upon the continuance of any case in the superior courts, to enter upon their dockets opposite the case the date of the continuance thereof, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, to wit :

Senate bill No. 139, by Senator Harris of the Twenty-second, which is a bill to be entitled an act to define and apply the law of abatement, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 202, by Senator Whitley of the Thirty-sixth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to make prize-fighting or pugilism a felony, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted, and that one hundred copies of the bill, and the report that accompanied the same, be printed for the use of the Senate, to wit :

Senate bill No. 209, which is a bill by Senator Boyd of the Thirty-second, to be entitled an act to approve, adopt, and make of force the Code of laws prepared under the direction and by authority of the General Assembly, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the author be allowed to withdraw same, to wit :

Senate bill No. 128, by Senator Sheppard of the Second, which is a bill to be entitled an act to repeal sections 2040 to 2049 inclusive, of the Code of 1882, known as the schedule act, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The joint committee appointed to visit the University of Georgia, during its commencement exercises, submitted the following report which was read, and one hundred copies thereof were ordered to be printed for use of the Senate, to wit :

*Mr. President:*

Your committee visited the University during its last commencement; attended daily the public exercises of said institution; were constantly thrown in closest contact with

the faculty and students; and investigated, as far as possible, all such matters and things as we deemed of interest to the public touching the University.

The public exercises of this, the State's College, were in every respect highly creditable, both to the faculty and to the students, evidencing the most careful and skillful training; a high standard of scholarship, literary culture, and progress in knowledge.

The moral character, the dignity, and gentlemanly bearing of all the students are deserving of our highest commendation, and as an honor to themselves, and a tribute to this time-honored institution, are well worthy in this respect of public recognition.

The fund appropriated at the last session of this General Assembly for the repairing and refurnishing of halls of the literary societies has been wisely expended for the purpose intended, and we are gratified to know that new interest has been revived in these useful and important branches of a university education.

From a careful examination made, we are satisfied that there is urgent need for more class and laboratory room; especially is this true in view of the increased and constantly increasing attendance upon the University; and we respectfully invite the attention of the General Assembly to these important facts.

Means should be provided to enlarge and develop the electrical department of the University, a branch of knowledge which is now challenging and absorbing almost universal attention. Many young men, we are informed, are leaving our State for other institutions because of the meager facilities furnished in our own for the study of this most important branch of human knowledge.

In view of its importance to our material development, and of the recent legislation on this subject, we would re-

spectfully suggest the necessity of making provision to fill the chair of geology, now vacant in the University.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS,

W W SHEPPARD,

W A. BROUGHTON,

On part of Senate.

A. G. McCURRY,

W S. WEST,

J. H. BOYD.

J P BROWN,

D. W MEADOW,

J. T. HOLBROOK,

HOPE POLHILL,

W P PRICE.

On part of House.

Mr. Harris moved that one hundred and fifty copies of the bill of the Senate, and accompanying report, be printed for the use of the Senate, and that the bill be read the second time and recommitted ; the motion prevailed.

*To the General Assembly of Georgia :*

The committee appointed under the resolution of the last session of this General Assembly, approved December 15, 1894, to carefully examine the work of the commissioners appointed under an act to provide for the codification of the laws of Georgia (approved December 19, 1893), met in the capitol at Atlanta, Georgia, in company of said commissioners, on the 17th day of June, 1895, proceeded to discharge that duty, and make the following report as the result of their examination :

The first work of the committee was to see that the acts of the Legislature of public and general character were embodied in the work of the commissioners. This the com-

mittee did by commencing with the acts of 1882-3, and calling attention to each act separately in order to verify the fact that the commissioners had omitted nothing necessary to be placed in their work. By this process the committee is authorized to say that all the acts of the General Assembly since the Code of 1882 are embodied in the work of the commissioners. The committee is, by the same process, satisfied that the addenda in the Code of 1882, except those sections repealed, are embodied in the present Code.

When the committee had completed this part of their investigation, they then compared the new legislation with the manuscript of the commissioners, and found this part of the work complete in every particular; having copied the acts, and, as far as practicable, omitted all meaningless words and repetitions of sentences, and placed the same in proper Code language. This work has been accomplished by the commissioners to the entire satisfaction of the committee.

All matter in the Code of 1882, and acts since that Code of a special or local nature, both of time and locality, have been omitted by the commissioners. By the adoption of this method much of the matter now embraced in the Code of 1882 is omitted, thus, to some extent, reducing the volume of matter to be printed.

So far as the committee has been able to observe, all the sections of the Code of 1882, and the acts since that Code that have become obsolete, superseded, or that are unconstitutional, have been omitted. The acts of doubtful constitutionality have been retained with references to the same.

The General Assembly is especially cited to the fact that the committee has directed the commissioners to eliminate the chapter in the Code of 1882 on the subject of "Court Contracts," embracing sections 2756 to 2772 (a) inclusive,



the committee being of the opinion that the sections mentioned are both obsolete and unconstitutional ; in this opinion the committee are sustained by the unanimous vote of the commissioners.

The commissioners have placed in the Code, and in Code language, many decisions of the Supreme Court relating to the fundamental principles of law which have not heretofore appeared in the Code. These sections are properly numbered and placed in their appropriate places, with marginal notes referring to the decisions. These decisions were necessary to give symmetry and completeness to the statutes which they follow, and will be of incalculable benefit to the magistrate, lawyer, and student.

Referring to the act by which the present commissioners were appointed, they were authorized to codify and arrange in systematic and condensed form, all the laws now of force in Georgia, from whatever source derived, following the general plan and system of the Code of 1863, and subsequent revised editions thereof. These directions the commissioners have followed, with the exception of the arrangement and grouping of the sections, which change the commissioners felt authorized to make under the act. The committee observed with pleasure that the commissioners have arranged the grouping of the sections of the Civil and Penal Code, so that each and every section will fall under its proper division. This orderly arrangement of the sections will simplify the work of investigation.

Under the act above referred to, the commissioners were required to preserve, as far as practicable, the numbering of the sections contained in the Code of 1882. This work was found by the commissioners to be wholly impracticable, and the committee was unanimous in the opinion that this could not be done. The commissioners have retained the sections of the Code of 1882 intact, and have arranged the references and marginal notes so that

the practitioner will be able to find any act that he may seek to investigate.

The committee is of the opinion that the commissioners have fully complied with the requirements of the law as to the marginal notes and references.

Referring again to the defined duties of the commissioners, they were required to make a full, complete, and separate index to the Civil and Penal codifications. The committee is unanimously of the opinion that this work could not be done with completeness and accuracy from the manuscript in the hands of the commissioners, and that it would be better for the interest of the State that this duty imposed upon the commissioners be postponed until the work shall go to the press; at which time when the printed matter comes from the press, the commissioners will be better able to index the work, and by this means the index can be arranged with perfect accuracy.

The Penal Code, text and annotations, is now complete and ready for action by the General Assembly. The text of the Civil Code is also complete, but the annotations are incomplete, and that part of the work is not ready for publication. The work of preparing the annotations proved to be far greater than the commissioners at first supposed, and it was so vast that its completion by this time was next to impossible; but we are informed that this work will be completed by the first of April, 1896.

The work of the commissioners in the present codification of the laws has been extremely laborious. The legislation of the past decade has been so voluminous and conflicting, they have been forced to cull through an immense mass of matter in order to determine what laws are of force, and what have been repealed or superseded by other legislation. The commissioners having this work in charge have labored incessantly for more than eighteen months to bring out of chaos a perfect system of laws.

The committee feel it their duty to say that from the patient and unceasing toil of these able and distinguished men, the Code of laws, civil and penal, has reached a higher point of perfection than ever yet attained. This statement is made without reference to or comparison with other Codes, but in justice to the progressive science of the law. The commissioners are entitled to the highest praise for their unselfish and patriotic service to the State, and it is much to be regretted that their compensation, from a financial standpoint, is not commensurate with the faithful service performed.

This compilation of laws is not confined to statutes, but principles of the common law, and constructions placed by the courts upon statutes covering a broad field of legal science, making the Code of Georgia a lawyer's library, and the citizen's protector within and of itself.

With the exceptions hereinbefore stated, the commissioners have fully discharged their duties as far as the work of compiling and codifying the laws are concerned; yet the work is of such great moment to the State, and its correct publication of such importance, the committee is unanimous in the opinion that the services of the commissioners should be requested by the State, at a reasonable and just compensation, to supervise and superintend the publication of their work. In view of the fact that the Civil Code is not ready for publication, we recommend that the civil acts of the present session of the General Assembly be incorporated therein, and that this committee be continued, or some other committee be appointed, with authority to examine and approve the work after the new acts have been incorporated and the annotations compiled.

We further recommend the acceptance of the Penal Code and annotations thereto, and its immediate publication.

We also recommend that the text of the Civil Code be accepted, and that it be published as soon as the acts of the

present session of the General Assembly are incorporated therein and the annotations completed and approved.

We recommend that the General Assembly pass the bill herewith submitted by the committee, providing for the printing, binding, and distribution of the three (3) several volumes therein specified.

M. G. BOYD,  
TRAMMELL STARR,  
W W SHEPPARD,  
Committee on part of Senate.

H. A. JENKINS,  
D. G. FOGARTY,  
R. T. FOUCHÉ,  
A. G. McCURRY,  
J H. PITMAN,

Committee on part of House of Representatives.

By resolution of Mr. Mercer, the Hon. John D. Pope, of Dougherty county, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Cumming for Monday next, and to Mr. Bush for a few days.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. Craigo, took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to repeal the act approved August 22, 1883, incorporating the town of Morganton in the county of Fannin, and all amendments thereto.

Proof of legal notice was submitted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

At the hour designated for the joint session, the President and the Secretary preceded the Senate in a body to

the hall of Representatives, where they were received by the House of Representatives standing.

The President took the chair and called the General Assembly to order.

The Secretary then read the joint resolution under which the joint session was convened, viz.:

A resolution tendering a reception by the General Assembly to the Governor of Pennsylvania, Governor of Rhode Island, and their escorts.

The Governors and their escorts were received and introduced to members of the General Assembly.

After an hour spent in addresses by the visiting governors and others, the joint session was, on motion, dissolved.

The Senate returned to the Senate chamber, and being called to order by the President, resumed its regular business.

On motion of Mr. Beeks, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourns this day, it will adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Whitley for Monday and Tuesday next, to Mr. Sheppard until Thursday, and to Messrs. Lewis and Little for Monday next.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the Senate to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities in this State, etc.

This bill was, on motion, made the special order for Wednesday, November 20, and fifty copies were ordered to be printed for use of the Senate.

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The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority

A bill to fix the time of electing the clerk and sheriff of the city court of Savannah, to terminate the term of those now in office, etc.

Also, a bill to repeal an act creating a county court in each county in the State of Georgia, except certain counties.

Also, a bill to create a board of education for the town of Lithonia.

Also, a bill to extend the jurisdiction for sanitary purposes of the mayor and aldermen of Savannah.

Also, a bill to extend the jurisdiction of the police court of Savannah.

Also, a bill to organize a park and tree commission for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to organize a board of police commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the spring term of Dawson superior court.

Also, a bill to authorize policemen of the city of Savannah to make arrests two miles from the corporate limits of the city.

The House has also passed the following bills of the Senate by the requisite constitutional majority :

A bill to amend the act of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved October 22, 1887, by striking the word "fishing" from the first line after the title of said act.

The House has concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution appointing a committee from the Senate and House to ascertain what companies are in arrears for convicts and report to the General Assembly, and has appointed as such committee on the part of the House : Messrs. Gray of Houston, Brown of Washington, Davidson of Greene.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, and after carefully considering the same have directed me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

House bill No. 396, by Mr. Gray of Catoosa, which is a bill to be entitled an act to authorize county authorities in this State to contract with authorities of the United States for the erection of bridges, etc.

Also, House bill No. 422, by Mr. Lee of Walker, which is a bill to be entitled an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction of this State over certain lands, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 147, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide that a master may not contract with a servant exempting himself, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended, to wit :

Senate bill No. 223, by Senator Osborne of the First, which is a bill to be entitled an act to propose an amendment to paragraph 4, section 2, article 7 of the Constitution of this State, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be returned to the House for correction, to wit :

House bill No. 400, by Mr. Broyles of Fulton, which is a bill to be entitled an act to make the owners of dead animals bury the same, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 204, by Senator Johnson of the Thirty-third, which is a bill to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of Jackson county, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The request of the committee as to the return of the bill of the House specially mentioned therein for correction was granted.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to reorganize the Cherokee and Rome judicial circuits, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.



Mr. Mercer, by general consent, introduced a bill to prescribe in what manner counties in this State now under operation of the "no fence" law can return to the operation of the "fence" law, and for other purposes.

This bill was read the first time and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill, by Mr. Brown of Pulaski, to incorporate the public school of Cochran, Pulaski county

Also, a bill to authorize the town of Hogansville, in the county of Troup, to organize a public school system, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Abbeville, to provide a board of education, and to authorize the mayor and council of said town to levy and collect a tax for the support and maintenance thereof.

Also, a Senate bill, by Senator Harris of the Twenty-second, to prescribe the time of opening the schools of Bibb county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under con-

sideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of obstructions of all kinds other than dams used for operating mills or machinery of any kind from the rivers, creeks, and other running streams in Elbert county, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the town of Guyton, to define the qualification of voters therein, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to define and apply the law of abatement in certain cases.

A bill to amend the charter of the Macon Savings Bank, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to provide that the master may not contract with a servant exempting himself from liability to the servant for injuries sustained through his negligence, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 1329 of the Code, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize the payment of checks, demands, drafts, and savings bank orders in case of the death of the drawer before payment, and for other purposes.

A bill to prescribe qualifications for judges of city and county courts hereafter to be appointed by the Governor.

A bill to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds and negotiate the same for the purpose of raising money with which to pay off an amount of the public debt maturing July 1, 1896, which is not provided for by the sinking fund that will be in the treasury at such time, and for other purposes.

A bill to prescribe the time for opening the schools of Bibb county, and for other purposes.

A bill to propose an amendment to paragraph 4, section 2, article 7 of the Constitution of this State, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to make prize-fighting or pugilism a felony, etc.

A bill to empower the principal physician of the penitentiary to discharge subordinate physicians for neglect of duty.

A bill to amend the second section of an act to fix the salary of the State librarian and assistant librarian, approved October 29, 1889.

A bill of the Senate to reincorporate the town of Elberton, and for other purposes, was read the second time and recommitted.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution tendering the assurance of the General Assembly of Georgia of their high appreciation of the brotherly, non-sectional, and patriotic sentiments which were uttered to-day by their Excellencies, Governor Hastings of Pennsylvania, and Governor Lippett of Rhode Island.

The resolution specified in the foregoing message was taken up and concurred in.

By consent of the Senate, Mr. Sheppard withdrew the bill of the Senate to repeal sections 2040 to 2049 inclusive.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to provide for the removal of obstructions in the streams of Elbert county.

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Guyton.

A bill to grant to the mayor and aldermen of Savannah a certain strip of land in Crawford ward for the purpose of straightening a street.

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to incorporate the public school of Cochran, Pulaski county

Also, a bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Abbeville, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act authorizing the town of Hogansville to organize a public school system, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to require judges of the superior court, upon the continuance of any case, to enter upon their dockets the date of such continuance, and for other purposes

Also, a bill to relieve and reimburse R. L. Watts of the county of Pike, etc.,

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the fall term of the superior court for Irwin county.

Also, a bill to fix the payment of tales jurors, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 1 of an act to provide compensation for election managers and clerks, etc, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities to contract with authorities of the United States for the erection of bridges in certain specified cases, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to cede to the United States jurisdiction of this State over certain lands, etc., and for other purposes.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Harris of the Third district, and Mr. Wade, for a few days.

A joint resolution from the House, inviting the Hon. Hoke Smith to address the General Assembly on some night of the next week, on the political issues of the day, was, on motion, taken up and concurred in.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to create and organize a park and tree commission for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Waynesboro to issue bonds to the amount of \$7,000, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to create and organize a board of police commissioners for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to extend the jurisdiction, for sanitary purposes, of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Savannah.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to fix the time for electing the clerk and sheriff of the city court of Savannah, to terminate the terms of those now in office, and for other purposes.

Referred to the special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to authorize policemen of the city of Savannah to make arrests within two miles from the corporate limits of the city, in cases of riots, affrays, and disorderly conduct.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to extend the jurisdiction of the police court of Savannah.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the spring term of Dawson superior court.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to create a board of education for the town of Lithonia, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county of the State, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January 19, 1872, and all acts amendatory thereof, so far as the same apply to the county of Coffee.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Monday, November 18, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Beeks, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct.

It was then read and approved by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Tatum, the Senate reconsidered its action in passing the bill of the Senate on Friday last, "to reorganize the Cherokee and Rome circuits, etc., and for other purposes."

Mr. Sanford, Chairman of the Penitentiary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

The Penitentiary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, and direct me to report the same, with a recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted to the committee :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 9 of an act approved February 25, 1876, to regulate the leasing out of penitentiary convicts by the Governor, authorizing him to make contracts in relation thereto, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

The bill specified in the foregoing report was read the second time and recommitted.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to compel insurance companies to pay the full amount of loss sustained upon property insured, notwithstanding any stipulations.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, making it the duty of the clerk of council to collect all property taxes and license fees due the said city.

The House has also passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to provide for the payment of insolvent costs of the clerk of the superior court of Macon county in certain cases.



Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Cohutta, in the county of Whitfield.

Also, a bill to amend an act creating a system of public schools in the city of Cartersville, Bartow county.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution to invite Hon. Hoke Smith to address the General Assembly on the first Tuesday in December, 1895.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Monro—

A bill to place county and municipal chain-gangs under the control and supervision of the Governor and penitentiary department, to provide for their regular inspection, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

By Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district—

A bill to establish a court of appeals, to define its jurisdiction and practice, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Broughton—

A bill to amend section 4527 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Monro—

A bill to amend section 4310 of the Code, so as to authorize county authorities to hire misdemeanor convicts to private persons, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Beeks—

A bill to provide for three conductors to conduct the teachers' institutes in the State of Georgia, as now provided by law; to provide for their election and compensation, and to require and provide for, in connection with the institutes, a regular course of study for teachers, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district—

A bill to provide for the protection of the cemetery reserve in the city of Macon, to declare penal certain intrusions thereon, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The joint resolution from the House, inviting the Hon. Hoke Smith to address the General Assembly of this State, on the first Tuesday in December next, on the political issues of the day, was, on motion, taken up and concurred in.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to amend an act creating a public school system for the city of Cartersville.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to incorporate the town of Cohutta, in Whitfield county.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to authorize payment of insolvent costs to the clerk of the superior court of Macon county in certain cases.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

By resolution of Mr. Monro, the Hon. W. B. Short, of the county of Marion, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Brand for Monday and Tuesday, and to Mr. Bussey for Monday, this day.

Mr. Venable introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill to amend an act approved December 18, 1893, amending section 1979 of the Code, which provides a lien in favor of mechanics of every sort and material men for work done or material furnished in building, repairing, or improving real estate, as against the true owner of such real estate, when the work done is upon the employment of a contractor, or some other person than the owner, etc., and for other purposes.

By virtue of a joint resolution, and on motion, the Senate adjourned until Wednesday next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, November 20, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Hon. Mr. Brown of the Thirty-ninth district.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,  
Broughton,  
Bussey,

Long,  
Little,  
Lumpkin,

Roberts,  
Storey,  
Sanford,

Brand,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brown,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Starr,
Craig,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	McClure,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Norman,	Williams,
Keen,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Lewis,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	Osborne.	Upchurch,
Boyd.	Sheppard,	Wade.
Harris of the 3d,		

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Sanford, chairman of the Committee on Penitentiary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Penitentiary have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they recommend do pass as amended, to wit :

A bill to amend section nine (9) of an act approved February 25, 1876, to regulate the leasing out of penitentiary convicts by the Governor, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

Mr. Sanford, chairman of the Committee on Penitentiary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Penitentiary have had under consideration the following Senate bill, and recommend that the same do pass as amended, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to place county and municipal chain-gangs, under the control and supervision of the Governor and penitentiary department, to provide for their regular inspection, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate "to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities of this State, to provide for licensing the same, and for other purposes," was taken up as the special order for this morning, the report of the Committee on Temperance having been agreed to previously, said report being in favor of the passage of the bill by substitute.

On motion of Mr. Starr, the action of the Senate in agreeing to the report of the committee was reconsidered.

Mr. Starr proposed to amend the report by adding at the end of the first section the words "nor be drunk on the premises."

On motion of Mr. Brand, the proposed amendment of Mr. Starr was amended by adding at the end thereof the words "where sold."

The amendment of Mr. Starr, as amended, was adopted.

The report of the committee, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 29, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Guyton.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Webster.

Also, a bill to establish a new charter for the city of Covington.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to amend an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth in the county of Monroe.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Boston to change the qualification of voters.

Also, a bill to abolish appeals from the police court of Savannah.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution to authorize the State Treasurer to pay John Faver for services, etc.

Also, a resolution inviting Hon. F. G. duBignon to address the General Assembly.

Mr. Sanford, chairman of the Special Joint Committee appointed under the resolution to ascertain what company or companies of penitentiary lessees are in arrears for the hire of State convicts, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Joint Committee, appointed to ascertain and report what company or companies of the lessees of the State convicts are in arrears for the hire of said convicts, beg leave respectfully to submit the following:

During the past year the Attorney-General has collected on *fi. fas.* issued by the Comptroller-General, against the penitentiary companies, the following amounts, to wit :

From Penitentiary Company No. 2	-- -- --	\$ 9,515 86
From Penitentiary Company No. 3	-----	3,563 83

The following sums are due for convict hire

for the year ending March 31, 1894 :

Balance due on <i>fi. fa.</i> against Penitentiary Company No. 1	-----	2,317 43
Balance due on <i>fi. fa.</i> against Penitentiary Company No. 3	-----	3,250 66

The following sums are due for convict hire

for the year ending March 31, 1895 :

Balance due on <i>fi. fa.</i> against Penitentiary Company No. 1	-----	3,172 79
Balance due on <i>fi. fa.</i> against Penitentiary Company No. 2	-----	1,531 15
Balance due on <i>fi. fa.</i> against Penitentiary Company No. 3	-----	7,216 37

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Total balance for both years.	-----	\$17,488 40
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The above named *fi. fas.* were issued by the Comptroller-General as follows :

Against Penitentiary Company No. 1 and the sureties upon its bond, to wit: Joseph E. Brown, John T. Grant, W C. Morrill, and Jacob W Seaver.

Against Penitentiary Company No. 2 and the sureties upon its bond, to wit: B. G. Lockett, J W Lockett, W B. Lowe, and John B. Gordon.

Against Penitentiary Company No. 3 and its sureties, to wit: Thos. Alexander, W W Simpson, W D. Grant, J. W Murphey, and W H. Howell.

The above stated *fi. fas.* were levied on the 18th day of October, 1895, as follows:

The *fi. fa.* against Penitentiary Company No. 1 and sureties, upon certain property located in the city of Atlanta belonging to the estate of Joseph E. Brown, deceased.

The *fi. fa.* against Penitentiary Company No. 2 upon certain property located in the city of Atlanta belonging to W B. Lowe.

The *fi. fa.* against Penitentiary Company No. 3 upon certain property in Atlanta belonging to W D. Grant.

The property levied on being advertised for sale by the sheriff of Fulton county for the first Tuesday in December next.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W SANFORD, Chairman

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to make more specific the crime of barratry in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the joint resolution of the House inviting the Hon. F G. duBignon to address the General Assembly on the political issues of the day, etc., was taken up and concurred in.

By resolution of Mr. McClure, the Hon T. H. Barnes, of Virginia, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

On motion of Mr. Sanford, 300 copies of the report submitted by him this day, relating to the arrearages of lessees of the penitentiary convicts, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate and House.



The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to establish a new charter for the city of Covington, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Boston, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to abolish appeals from the police court of Savannah.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to establish a public school system for the town of Guyton.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Webster, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

And a resolution to authorize the State Treasurer to pay John Faver for services.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to define and apply the law of abatement in certain cases, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

On motion of Mr. Snead, the bill of the Senate to make penal the selling or buying of seed cotton in the county of Columbia, and for other purposes, was taken from the table.

The report thereon was taken up and amended, on motion of Mr. Snead, by striking out the "15th December" and inserting in lieu thereof the "1st of December."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Privileges and Elections on the bill of the Senate to amend section 1329 of the Code of 1882, to be changed so as the contestant shall give contestee notice of his intention to contest in ten days after the election, and contestee shall give counter notice to contestant in fifteen days after the election.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute, which was adopted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended by substitute—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide that a master may not contract with a servant exempting himself from liabilities to the servant for injuries sustained through negligence, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and, before the announcement of the vote thereon, was, on motion of Mr. Roberts, laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the Senate to prescribe the time for opening the fall session of the public schools of Bibb county, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Banks on the bill of the Senate to authorize the payment of checks, demand drafts, and savings bank orders in case of the death of drawee before payment, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The bill of the Senate to prescribe qualifications for city and county courts hereafter to be appointed by the Governor was put upon its passage under report of the General Judiciary Committee.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Mercer, by adding to section 1 of the bill the following: "Provided that nothing in this act shall apply to any judge now holding office in this State."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, and on the question of its passage there were yeas 10, nays 14.

So the bill was lost.

On motion of Mr. Mercer, the bill of the Senate to amend the second section of an act to fix the salary of the State librarian and his assistant was laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to make prize-fighting a felony, and prescribing a penalty therefor, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend the charter of the Macon Savings Bank, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Penitentiary Committee on the bill of the Senate to empower the principal physician of the penitentiary to discharge subordinate physicians for neglect of duty or incompetency, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the Senate to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds, to negotiate the same, for the purpose of raising money with which to pay off an amount of the public debt maturing July 1, 1896, which is not provided for by the sinking fund that will be in the treasury at such time, and for other purposes, was taken up, and the bill was, on motion, recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Lewis, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration a bill to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of insurance, etc., for the State, which I am directed to return to the Senate, with the request that it be read the second time and recommitted to the Finance Committee.

The bill of the Senate to provide for the appointment of an insurance commissioner, etc., was read the second time and recommitted to the Finance Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on the Penitentiary on the bill of the Senate to amend section 9 of an act, approved February 25, 1876, to regulate the

leasing out of penitentiary convicts by the Governor, authorizing him to make contracts in relation thereto, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 31, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide an amendment to paragraph 4, section 2, article 7 of the Constitution of the State, so as to permit cities and towns of this State to exempt from taxation manufactories to be established within their limits for a given time.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and, on the question of its passage as amended, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Bussey,	Little,	Storey,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Brand,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brown,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Starr,
Craig,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	McClure,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Norman,	
Keen,	Osborne,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Upchurch,	Williams,
Harris of the 3d,	Wade.	Mr. President.
Sheppard,		

Yeas 37    Nays 0.    Not voting 7

So the bill was passed, as amended, by a constitutional majority.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the reconsidered bill of the Senate to re-organize the Cherokee and Rome judicial circuits, and for other purposes.

Mr. Tatum moved to amend the report of the committee by the following:

Provided, That this act shall not affect the office of solicitor-general of the Cherokee circuit during his term of office, and that he be still authorized to discharge the duties of said office in said county of Dade during said term.

This amendmont was adopted, and the report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 27, nays 0.

Mr. Osborne, by general consent, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee:

A bill to authorize and empower the commissioners of roads and revenues of Chatham county to acquire by purchase or condemnation any road in said county owned by any private person or corporation upon which tolls are charged.

The Senate went into executive session, and having returned to open session adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Thursday, November 21, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. T. C. Hughes, representative from Union county.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Norman,	Williams,
Johnson,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Ryals,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d,      Sheppard,      Wilcox.

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through M. A. Hardin, Clerk thereof:



*Mr. President :*

The House of Representatives has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Senate bill, to wit :

A bill to authorize the city council of Augusta to increase its water supply by constructing water-works beyond the corporate limits of the city of Augusta, and for other purposes.

The House herewith returns House bill No. 400, which was recalled from the Senate for correction, to wit :

A bill to make the owners of dead animals bury the same.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee, having had under consideration a resolution to relieve J. D. Laing and his securities, recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they have directed me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be returned to the House for correction, to wit :

House bill No. 207, by Mr. Rawlings of Washington, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 344, by Mr. Giles of Houston, which is a bill to be entitled an act to abolish the county court of Houston county, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The bill of the House, returned to that body for correction and reported back to the Senate as corrected, was re-committed to the General Judiciary Committee.

House bill No. 207, to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882, etc., was, on motion, in accordance with the report of the General Judiciary Committee, returned to the House for correction.

By resolution of Mr. Bush, the Hon. B. F. Jones, of Miller county, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Mr. Mercer, chairman *pro tem.* of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have examined the following bills and find them correct and properly engrossed, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1329 of the Code, in reference to proceedings in cases of contested elections.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the cities and towns of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to make penal the selling or buying of seed-cotton in the county of Columbia

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the time for opening the fall session of the public schools of Bibb county

A bill to be entitled an act to make prize-fighting or pugilism a felony.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Macon Savings Bank.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the payment of checks, demand drafts, and savings bank orders in case of the death of drawer before payment.

A bill to be entitled an act to define and apply the law of abatement in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to rearrange the Cherokee and Rome circuits.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend paragraph 4, section two (2), article seven (7) of the Constitution.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section nine (9) of an act approved February 25, 1876, to regulate leasing out penitentiary convicts by the Governor.

A bill to be entitled an act to empower the principal physician of the penitentiary to discharge subordinate physicians for neglect of duty, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend an act creating a system of public schools in the city of Cartersville, Bartow county, Georgia, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Boyd, the bill of the House to amend an act "to protect game in this State, and for other purposes," was taken from the table where it was placed at the last session, after having been passed and reconsidered by the Senate.

On further motion of Mr. Boyd, this bill was recommitted to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to incorporate the public school of Cochran, Pulaski county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 28, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the bill of the Senate to provide that a master may not contract with a servant exempting himself from liabilities to the servant for injuries sustained through negligence, and for other purposes, was taken up. This bill was put upon its passage yesterday. The report thereon was agreed to and the bill was read the third time, and before the announcement of the vote was laid on the table.

Mr. Starr moved that the bill be recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee. This motion did not prevail.

Mr. Starr moved to reconsider the action of the Senate on yesterday on this bill for the purpose of offering an amendment. The motion to reconsider did not prevail.

The question recurred on the passage of the bill, which was read the third time on yesterday, and the yeas and nays, were on motion of Mr. Roberts, recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Johnson,	Ryals,
Bush,	Keen,	Roberts,
Bussey,	Lewis,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McGregor,	Snead,
Brand,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Craig,	McClure,	Whitley.
Harris of the 12th,	Osborne,	Williams.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Starr,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 22d,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Norman,	Wade.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d,	Mercer,	Wilcox,
Long,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Lumpkin,	Storey,	

Yeas 24. Nays 12. Not voting 8.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

Mr. Cumming, of the Eighteenth, acting chairman of the Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee, which has had under consideration the following bills, direct me to report them to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

House bill No. 481, by Mr. Willink of Chatham, to create and organize a park and tree commission for Savannah.

House bill No. 483, by Mr. Willink of Chatham, to create and organize a board of police commissioners for the city of Savannah.

House bill No. 482, by Mr. Willink of Chatham, amending the city court act of Savannah.

House bill No. 499, by Mr. Screven of Chatham, extending the police jurisdiction of Savannah beyond the corporate limits of the city.

House bill No. 500, by Mr. Screven of Chatham, to extend the jurisdiction of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Savannah.

House bill No. 501, by Mr. Screven of Chatham, to extend the jurisdiction of the police court of Savannah.

They also direct me to report House bill No. 406, by Mr. Broyles of Fulton, to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta, with the recommendation that it be read a second time and recommitted to this committee.

They also direct me to report Senate bill No. 228, by Mr. Mercer of the ninth district, providing a method of abolishing the "no fence law," with the recommendation that the same do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

BRYAN CUMMING, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following joint resolution, and recommend that the same do pass, to wit :

A joint resolution to pay Hon. Columbus Blair mileage and per diem.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Osborne, chairman Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that the author be allowed to withdraw same, to wit :

Senate bill No. 116—a bill to be entitled an act to require railroads, corporations, and all others controlling or operating any railroad in this State to provide spark arresters.

Respectfully submitted.

W W OSBORNE, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that the same do pass, the proofs being correct, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Carrollton to hold an election on the question of issuing and selling bonds, not exceeding in the aggregate \$20,000, for the purpose of providing a building, suitable houses, furniture, and apparatus for the public schools of said city of Carrollton, and for other purposes.

They also direct me to report the following bill, with a recommendation that the same do pass as amended, the proofs being correct, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Carrollton, approved December 9, 1891, so as to limit the *ad valorem* tax on all real and personal property, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to reincorporate the town of Elberton, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted to the committee :

A bill to be entitled an act to create a board of education for the town of Lithonia, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Waynesboro to issue bonds to the amount of \$7,000, and to provide for the payment of the principal and interest on the same by local taxation ; for the purpose of taking up and paying off bonds heretofore issued by said city for the purpose of constructing and furnishing academies, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cohutta, in Whitfield county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The resolution of the House to pay Hon. Columbus Blair mileage and per diem was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to establish a system of public schools for the town of Abbeville ; to provide a board of education ; to empower the mayor and council of said town to levy and collect a tax for the support and



maintenance thereof, and to authorize the county school commissioner of Wilcox county to pay over to said board of education such part of the State school fund as may be the *pro rata* share of said town, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Beeks, by transposing the 8th and 9th sections of the bill.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended—  
ayes 28, nays 0.

Mr. Long, chairman on the part of the Senate of the joint committee of the Senate and House appointed to investigate the condition of the Northeastern Railroad, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The joint committee appointed to investigate the condition of the Northeastern Railroad report that they have made careful inquiry into the physical and financial condition of the road, and find the roadbed, bridges, rolling-stock, etc., to be in good condition. Since the State took charge of it, up to August 31, 1895, the road has earned, over and above all expenses, the sum of \$25,502.96, or about \$14,000 per year. The interests upon the bonds issued by the State to retire the railroad bonds indorsed by the State amounts to \$10,200 per year.

The committee recommend that the Governor be authorized to sell the road in the event he can find a purchaser willing and able to pay a sum not less than the amount of the bonds issued by the State in order to obtain possession of the property. In the event no such purchaser is found, then the committee recommend that the Governor be authorized to offer the road for lease for a term of twenty

years from the date of the issuance of the bonds negotiated for obtaining possession of the road by the State. The minimum price at which said lease shall be made shall be the annual interest on the bonds so issued by the State. In the event no such rate or lease of the road can be made, then the Governor should be directed to operate the same for the State until otherwise directed by the Legislature.

In conclusion, the committee desire to congratulate the State upon the fact that it possesses in its Governor and Treasurer financiers able to float  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. bonds of the State in the midst of financial depression and panic, such as overspread the country at the time the bonds issued to pay for this railroad were placed upon the market.

Your committee herewith submit a bill to carry out the recommendations contained in this report, which we request may be read and referred to the appropriate committee.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG,  
N. E. HARRIS,  
TRAMMELL STARR.

On motion of Mr. Long, two hundred copies of the foregoing report were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

On his further motion, the report was adopted.

By general consent, Mr. Monro introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, to wit :

A bill to amend section 1978 of the Code of 1882, as amended by an act approved October 17, 1891, etc., and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Bussey, a resolution for the relief of J. D. Lainy was read the second time, and passed to a third reading.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to provide compensation for election managers and clerks at all general and special elections held in Washington county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 30, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Sharp, the following bill of the House, which was taken up for a third reading, was temporarily laid aside, to wit :

To amend an act to authorize the town of Hogansville, in the county of Troup, to organize a public school system of the State of Georgia ; to provide for the maintenance and support of the same, and for other purposes, approved December 12, 1893 ; so as to define more fully the duty of the school commissioners ; to regulate the time of their election ; to give them power to charge a matriculation fee ; to build and furnish school-houses, and for other purposes.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to relieve and reimburse R. L. Swatts of Pike county for payment of forfeited bond.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to authorize county authorities in this State to contract with authorities of the United States for the erection of bridges in certain specified cases, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to require judges of the superior courts of this State, upon the continuance of any case in the superior courts, to enter upon their dockets opposite such case the date of the continuance thereof; to make public announcement in open court of such continuance at the time of such continuance; to provide for the making out of claims for costs by witnesses for their fees for such attendance, and for other purposes.

The report was amended as follows, on motion of Mr. Wade:

Amend after the words “judges of the superior courts” the words “judges of the city and county courts.”

Amend the caption by adding the same words.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Friday, November 22, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev T. C. Hughes, Representative from Union county.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Beeks,	Long,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Little,	Storey,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brand,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Brown,	McGregor,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Upchurch,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wilson,
Johnson,	Norman,	Wade,
Keen,	Ryals,	Williams,
Lewis,	Roberts,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Harris of the 3d,	Whitley,
Cumming,	Morton,	Wilcox.
Craig,	Osborne,	

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Mercer, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined the following bill, and find the same correctly and properly engrossed, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide that a master may not contract with a servant exempting himself from liability to the servant for injuries sustained through his negligence.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass, the proofs being correct :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Boston, so as to change the qualification of voters ; the change to restrict the privilege of voting to the residents of said town.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 157, by Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide for service by publication, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through M. A. Hardin, Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following House bills, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved November 25, 1873, incorporating the village of Haynie, in Floyd county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide compensation for the county commissioners of Thomas county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to change the county site of Fannin county from Morganton to Blue Ridge, and for other purposes.

The House has also adopted the following resolution of the House, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution to provide compensation for the commissioners of Thomas county

The House has also passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bill of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison, approved October 6, 1891. Also, House bill No. 207, which was returned to the House for correction, which is a bill to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882.

The following message was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Callaway, his private Secretary:

*Mr. President:*

The Governor has approved the following resolution of the General Assembly, to wit:

A resolution tendering thanks to the Atlanta bar for the portrait of the distinguished statesman, N. J. Hammond, and appointing a committee to receive the same and have it placed in position in the State capitol.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Starr and to Mr. Harris of the Twelfth district.

Mr. Broughton, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Agricultural Committee have had under consideration a bill, by Mr. Monro of the Twenty-fourth district, to be entitled an act to amend section 1978 of the Code of 1882, as amended by an act approved October 17, 1891, by adding the following words at the end of the last word in the third paragraph of said section, to wit: "or when other legal process, not in favor of the landlord nor controlled by him, nor levied at his instance or procurement, is being enforced against said crops," and for other purposes, and they direct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, a bill, by Mr. Keen of the Sixteenth district, to be entitled an act to regulate the tolling of rice in this State, and for other purposes, and they direct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

Mr. Mercer offered the following resolution, which was, on his motion, taken up, read, and agreed to, to wit:

A resolution appointing a committee to confer with the Department of Agriculture and investigate the needs of



said department. The committee under this resolution consists of Messrs. Mercer, Broughton, and Beeks.

Mr. Mercer introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to make the charging of certain usury a felony, and for other purposes.

Mr. Starr introduced a bill to provide for the levy and sale of property when the defendant in *fi. fa.* has an interest or equity therein, but does not hold the legal title thereto, and for other purposes, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the Senate to regulate the tolling of rice in this State, and for other purposes, was read the second time and recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of Carrollton to hold an election on the question of issuing and selling bonds, not exceeding \$20,000, etc., and for other purposes.

A bill to provide for notice by publication, and for other purposes.

A bill to place county and municipal chain-gangs under the control and supervision of the Governor and Penitentiary Department, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend section 1998 of the Code of 1882, as amended by the act approved October 17, 1891, and for other purposes.

The following message was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his private Secretary, Mr. Callaway:

*Mr. President:*

The Governor has approved the following act of the General Assembly, to wit:

An act to prescribe the method of attestation and acknowledgment of deeds to realty and personalty executed without the State, to authorize their record in this State, and for other purposes.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to create a board of education for the town of Lithonia, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Cohutta, and for other purposes.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to fix the time for the election of clerk and sheriff of the city court of Savannah, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to extend the jurisdiction, for sanitary purposes, of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to extend the jurisdiction of the police court of Savannah.

Also, a bill to create and organize a board of police commissioners for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to create and organize a park and tree commission for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Boston, and for other purposes.

Also a bill to amend an act creating a system of public schools in the city of Cartersville, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize policemen of the city of Savannah to make arrests within two miles from the corporate limits of the city in cases of riots, affrays, and disorderly conduct.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Waynesboro to issue bonds to the amount of \$7,000, and for other purposes.

By resolution of Mr. McGregor, the Hon. R. L. McWhorter was extended the privileges of a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Carrollton, approved September 9, 1891, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to reincorporate the town of Elberton.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on a joint resolution of the Senate for the relief of J. D. Laing, tax-collector of Terrell county, and his securities.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and agreed to—yeas 30, nays 0.

Mr. Long introduced a bill which was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee, to wit:

A bill to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad, to confer certain powers and duties upon the Governor with reference thereto, and for other purposes.

By resolution of Mr. McGarrity, the Hon. J. N. Davidson, of Indiana, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Mr. McGarrity offered the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee, to wit:

A bill to levy and collect a tax on the amount of money paid in by any person or persons in this State for life insurance policies, for the support of the State government, and for other purposes.

The bill of the House to cede to the United States jurisdiction of the State over certain lands, etc., and for other purposes, was taken up for a third reading and, on motion, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Craigo, the bill of the House to change the county site of Fannin county from Morganton to Blue Ridge, and for other purposes, was read the first time and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to change the time of holding the fall term of the Irwin superior court, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to fix the payment of of tales jurors, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to pay Hon. Columbus Blair mileage and *per diem*.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harrison,	Norman,
Broughton,	Lewis,	Osborne,
Bush,	Long,	Ryals,
Bussey,	Little,	Sheppard.
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Wilson,

Craig,	Monro,	Wade,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Williams.
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brown,	Keen,	McGarrity,
Johnson,	McGregor,	Snead,

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Roberts,	Tatum.	Whitley,
Storey,	Upchurch,	Mr. President.

Ayes 29. Nays 6. Not voting 9.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

It was ordered, on motion of Mr. Morton, that when the Senate adjourns this day, it will adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next, and that, if necessary, it will remain in session this day until 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 237, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the commissioners of roads and revenues of Chatham county to acquire by purchase or condemnation any road in said county owned by any private person or corporation upon which tolls are charged.

Also, the following bill of the House, which the committee report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit :

House bill No. 427, a bill to be entitled an act to abolish appeals from the police court of Savannah.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Lumpkin submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Public Schools have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute :

Senate bill No. 151, by Senator Sharpe of the Thirty-seventh district, to be entitled an act to amend an act to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton, etc.

W. H. LUMPKIN, Chairman.

Mr. Boyd offered a resolution inviting Hon. S. D. Bradwell to address the General Assembly November 29, 1895, at 10 o'clock A. M., which was agreed to.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Public Schools on the bill of the Senate to amend an act to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended by substitute—yeas 24, nays 0.

The bill of the House to abolish appeals from the police court of Savannah was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The bill of the Senate to authorize the commissioners of roads and revenues of the county of Chatham to acquire by purchase or condemnation any road in said county owned by any private person or corporation upon which tolls are charged was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, offered a resolution to amend the rules of the Senate, which was read and laid over for a day.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee, which was adverse to the bill of the House to abolish the county court of Houston county.

The adverse report was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

On motion of Mr Johnson, the bill of the Senate to abolish the city court of Jackson county, adversely reported by the General Judiciary Committee, was recommitted to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit :

A bill to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to repeal an act approved November 25, 1893, incorporating the village of Haynie in Floyd county, Georgia.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend an act creating a board of commissioners for Thomas county.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.



And a resolution of the House for the relief of the North Highlands Railroad Company.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Cumming—

A bill to amend section 708 of the Code, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Boyd—

A bill to change the time of holding the superior courts of the Northeastern judicial circuit, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Bussey—

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act establishing a school for colored students, approved November 26, 1890.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, by Mr. Bussey—

A bill to authorize the State School Commissioner to grant license to graduates of the Georgia State Industrial College for colored youth to teach the common schools among the colored people of this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Monday, November 25, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Keen,	Sheppard,
Broughton.	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Brand,	McGregor,	Wilson,
Brown,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Cumming,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Williams,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Craigo,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Upchurch.
Lewis,	Roberts,	

Mr. Bussey, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Wilcox introduced a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Irwin, and for other purposes, which was read the first time and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for service by publication, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to authorize the mayor and council of Carrollton to hold an election on the question of issuing and selling bonds.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through M. A. Hardin, Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Cartersville, Bartow county, Georgia.

Also, the following bill of the House, to wit :

A bill to authorize the mayor and aldermen of Savannah to condemn property for widening and extending streets.

By resolution, the Hon. J. E. Strother, of the county of Lincoln, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The bill of the Senate to place county and municipal chain-gangs under control of the Governor and penitentiary department was, on motion of Mr. Monro, made the special order for Wednesday next, and fifty copies thereof were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to authorize and em-

power the commissioners of roads and revenues of Chatham county to acquire any road in said county owned by private persons.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 25, nays 0.

The following resolution, amending the rules of the Senate, was taken up and agreed to, to wit:

*Resolved*, That the rules of the Senate be amended as follows: Whenever a member moves to take a bill or resolution from the table, or out of the order on the calendar, for any action by the Senate thereon, he shall indicate the number of the bill or resolution, whether the same be a House or Senate bill or resolution, and the Secretary shall read the title of the same before the motion shall be entertained by the chair.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the Senate to amend section 1978 of the Code of 1882 by adding the following words at the end of the last word in the third paragraph of said section, to wit: or when other legal process not in favor of the landlord, nor controlled by him, nor levied at his instance or procurement, is being enforced against said crops.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 29, nays 0.

Mr. Mercer, chairman *pro tem.* of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have inspected the fol-

lowing bills, and report them properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Carrollton, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to reincorporate the town of Elberton, and for other purposes.

A resolution for the relief of J. D. Laing, tax-collector of Terrell county, and his securities.

Also, a resolution inviting Hon. S. D. Bradwell to address the General Assembly November 29, 1895, at 11 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER, Chairman *pro tem*.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the town of Boston, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee, on the bill of the House, to abolish appeals from the police court of Savannah.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to create and organize a park and tree commission for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to fix the time for electing the clerk and sheriff of the city court of Savannah, to terminate the terms of those now in office, to prescribe the terms of those to be elected under this act, to fix the date at which said terms shall begin, to provide for the filling of vacancies.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to create and organize a board of police commissioners, etc., for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was amended, as follows on motion of Mr. Osborne:

1. Amend by striking out the word "fireman," in the twenty-second line of the ninth page, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "policeman."

2. Amend by striking out the words "fire chief" in the seventh line of the tenth page, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "chief of police."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

Mr. Sheppard made the following report, which was read:

*Mr. President:*

The joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, appointed under a joint resolution to visit the State Normal School at Athens, Ga., beg leave to submit the following report:

In pursuance of said resolution your committee visited the State Normal School and made as thorough an examination of that institution as it was possible to do under the the circumstances.

The committee first examined the workings of the school in its regular routine work. The committee was not able to make as complete an investigation in this particular as they had wished, owing to the very limited time at their disposal. But we were greatly gratified with the workings and management of the institution.

Your committee examined the buildings and found them crowded beyond the convenience and comfort of the students in attendance. We find that the demand for admission has been so great that from two to eight persons have had to be crowded into a room, thereby rendering it to the great disadvantage of the students. We also find that the

authorities have had to rent extra houses, which are not convenient or comfortable, or suitable for their accommodation.

Your committee further find that under the excellent management of the institution, good, healthy, and abundant food is furnished, and that board, including food, lodging, lights, heating, and laundry, has been reduced to a minimum of \$7.00 per month.

Your committee was greatly gratified to find that such progress had been made since the regular organization of the school, seven months ago, there being enrolled 178 students, representing 63 counties, and that a great number have been refused admission for the lack of dormitory room—a record of which this legislature and the State at large should be proud—clearly demonstrating the great necessity for a well regulated, thoroughly equipped institution of its kind, and the great possibilities to which it will certainly attain when properly cared for and maintained by the State.

We congratulate the State on the wisdom of its organization; and the board of trustees in securing the services of the worthy president and his efficient corps of teachers, under whose skillful management the school has attained so high a degree of success and proficiency.

This institution being the great center and medium through which the public funds appropriated to the public schools is to be disbursed to the children of the State, and realizing that the greatest good to the children of the State can be accomplished by having efficient and well qualified teachers, and realizing further that this institution is the best means of procuring well-trained, and well-equipped Georgia teachers; we, therefore, recommend that an appropriation be made, sufficient to afford greater and additional dormitory room, suitable for the accommodation and comfort of those who may attend that institution for the pur-



pose of availing themselves of the great advantages there offered.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman.  
B. W SANFORD,  
M. G. BOYD,  
J. E. MERCER,  
E. B. LEWIS,

On part of Senate.

H. A. JENKINS, Chairman.  
W S. WEST,  
JAS. W ARMSTRONG,  
D. G. FOGARTY,  
J. R. HOGAN, per Sheppard,  
A. E. BIRD,

On part of House.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to extend the jurisdiction for sanitary purposes of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Savannah.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to extend the jurisdiction of the police court of Savannah.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to grant to the mayor and aldermen of the city of Savannah a strip of land in Crawford ward, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to amend an act creating a system of public schools for the city of Cartersville, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to authorize policemen of the city of Savannah to make arrests within two miles of the corporate limits of the city in cases of riots, affrays, and disorderly conduct. .

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

Mr. Brand, chairman of Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consid-

eration the following House bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with recommendation that the same do pass.

A bill to be entitled an act to grant to the mayor and aldermen of Savannah a strip of land in Crawford ward for the purpose of straightening a street.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same lie on the table, the proof being incorrect :

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

By resolution of Mr. Williams, the Hon. A. P. Persons was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the Senate.

Mr. Beeks introduced the following resolution, which was taken up, read, and agreed to, to wit :

*Resolved*, That the Assistant Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered, during the absence of the Secretary of the Senate, to sign all bills and resolutions as Secretary *pro tem.* in the same manner as could the Secretary of the Senate were he present.

The bill of the House to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands, etc., in this State was, on motion of Mr. Tatum, taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, was recommended to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the House to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro was, on motion, laid on the table.

The bill of the House to provide for the registration of all voters in Washington county, which was taken up under adverse report, was, on motion, laid on the table.

By general consent, Mr. Tatum offered a bill to prohibit any non-resident person, or persons, from camp-hunting in the county of Dade, and for other purposes, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The bill of the House to authorize the mayor and aldermen of the city of Savannah to condemn property for the purpose of widening, extending, or straightening any street, etc., was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The bill of the Senate to prescribe in what manner no fence counties may return to the operation of the fence law was taken up under adverse report of the Special Judiciary Committee, and lost by agreement with said report.

The following bills of the Senate were, by permission, withdrawn, to wit :

A bill to require railroad companies, etc., in this State to provide spark arresters.

Also, a bill to amend the general tax act of 1892, section 2, paragraph 3.

Also, a bill to repeal section 4 of an act to regulate the business of insurance in this State.

The following bills of the House were taken up under adverse reports and lost by agreement with said reports, to wit :

A bill to amend an act to carry into effect paragraph 18 of section 7 of the Constitution of 1877

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the Coweta Bank, approved October 24, 1887

Also, a bill for the better collection of tax executions in this State.

Also, a bill to authorize the town council of Abbeville to issue bonds, etc.

Also, a bill investing Latta M. Awtry with rights of an adult.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretaty, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Tuesday, November 26, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Long,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Little,	Storey,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Snead,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Brand,	McGregor,	Starr,
Brown,	Monro,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wade,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams,
Keen,	Roberts,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d,      Lewis.

Mr. Monro, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Senator Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, to wit :

House bill No. 359, by Mr. Worley of Elbert, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of obstructions of all kinds other than dams, etc., from the rivers, creeks, etc., in Elbert county, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, proofs correct, to wit :

House bill No. 347, by Mr. Willingham of Monroe, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth, etc.

Also, House bill No. 395, by Mr. Bird of Effingham, to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the town of Guyton, etc.

Also, House bill No. 498, by Mr. Neely of Burke, to be entitled an act to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Waynesboro to issue bonds, etc.

Also, House bill No. 517, by Mr. Longley of Whitfield, to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cohutta, in the county of Whitfield, etc.

Also, House bill No. 588, by Mr. Mallette of Thomas, to be entitled an act to provide compensation to the commissioners of Thomas county, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute, to wit:

Senate bill No. 245, by Senator Bussey of the Eleventh, to be entitled an act to amend section 1 of an act establishing a school for colored students, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

House bill No. 363, by Mr. Reece of Floyd, to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved November 25, 1893, incorporating the village of Haynie, in Floyd county, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Guyton in Effingham county, Ga., and for other purposes.

Also, a Senate bill to require the boards of education in the several counties of this State to pay the public school teachers the *pro rata* share of each pupil within the school

age attending said school, regardless of the grade of the teachers' license, which they recommend do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. McClure, Messrs. Harrison and Craig were added to the Committee on the Deaf and Dumb.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following House bill by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to repeal so much of the act creating a board of commissioners for DeKalb county as limits the compensation of the clerk thereof.

Also, a bill to limit the jurisdiction of the city court in civil cases in DeKalb county.

Also, a bill to prohibit hunting with dogs and guns and fishing on the lands of others in Appling county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act for the protection of fish in Berrien county.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the Monroe Banking, Loan and Guarantee Company.

Also, a bill to amend an act to provide for compensation for the board of commissioners of roads and revenues of Catoosa county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Young Harris in Towns county, Georgia.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Barnwell.



Also, a bill to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors in the town of Desoto.

Also, a bill to authorize the town council of Bowman to issue bonds for school purposes.

Also, a bill to change the names and principal offices of banking, railroad, insurance, express, telegraph, canal, and navigation companies.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Roberta.

Also, a bill to amend an act, so as to elect commissioners of Troup county at general elections.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of Decatur to provide for the registration and license of every trade and business.

Also, a bill to provide for the election of county commissioners of Berrien county.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Catoosa.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dawson.

Also, a bill to amend an act authorizing the board of commissioners of Washington county to issue bonds for school purposes.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Douglas.

Also, a bill to fix the title and status of the piece of ground in Savannah known as the old cemetery, to confirm the decree of the superior court in the case of John Williamson, *et al. vs. The Mayor and Council*.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the Savannah Bank and Trust Company

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Meigs.

Also, a bill to create the office of commissioner of public works in the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to organize a board of tax-assessors and receivers for the city of Savannah.

The House has also adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution for the relief of Willis Fields of Henry county

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bill of the House:

A bill to require judges of the superior courts of this State, upon the continuance of any case, to so enter upon their dockets opposite such case.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit:

A resolution authorizing and directing the Comptroller-General to reopen the matter of assessment of Postal Telegraph Company.

Also, a bill to provide a system of public schools for the town of Oxford.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under con-

sideration the following House bill, and direct me to report to the Senate, with recommendation that same do pass, the proofs being correct

A bill to be entitled an act to create a board of education for the town of Lithonia, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act establishing a school for colored students, approved November 26, 1890, was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth, etc.

A bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Guyton.

A bill to provide compensation to the commissioners of Thomas county

The bill of the House to repeal an act approved November 25, 1893, incorporating the village of Haynie, was read the second time and recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Boyd made the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration House bill No. 418, the same being a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to prohibit the sale of alco-

holic, spirituous, or malt liquors, or intoxicating bitters, or intoxicating drugs of any kind, in the county of Elbert, and for other purposes, and they direct me, as chairman of said committee, to report the same back to the Senate, with a recommendation that the same do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

W. G. BOYD, Chairman.

Mr. Bussey submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The joint committee of the Senate and House, appointed to visit the school for colored students at College, Ga., during its commencement exercises, submit the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee visited the school for colored students during its last commencement and investigated, as far as possible, all such matters and things as they deemed of interest to the public touching the school.

At the time of the visit of the committee to the school, Governor Atkinson was present to deliver the commencement address and to present diplomas to the first class of young men to graduate from the college.

Besides the Governor, there were present the Hon. P. W. Meldrim and the other members of the commission for the colored school, members of the Chatham county board of education, representatives of the city government, and a number of other white citizens. The colored people were out in large numbers. In fact, the day (Monday, commencement day) had the air of a holiday. Every thing went to show that the colored people were very proud of their school.

The school had an enrollment, for the year upon which

we report, of 201, representing some thirty counties. The committee examined most thoroughly into the conduct of the school, and all were highly pleased.

The methods of teaching in the various departments and branches seemed to be practical, thorough, systematic, and successful, but we think that this State institution should be devoted largely to the training of teachers who may go out and take charge of the colored schools.

The manual training department, as such, had not been long in operation, but gave excellent promise of satisfactory results.

In this department the boys are taught the principles of working in wood and iron. In time it will turn out skilled blacksmiths, carpenters, wheelwrights, and also painters and bricklayers.

The farm is under the management of a practical farmer, and he is doing splendid work in giving the boys useful lessons in the care of tools and live-stock, the building up, improving lands, and the production of farm products.

On the whole, the school is doing a great work for the colored youth of the State, but we think the school should be opened to both males and females.

Your committee are of the opinion, however, that the school needs larger accommodations. We observed that the commencement exercises were compelled to be held in open air on account of the lack of a chapel. The school also needs a dormitory, their present accommodations being for only sixty persons.

Your committee recommend that funds be provided, either by appropriation, or that the appropriation of the \$24,000 withheld from the Atlanta University for the years 1888, 1889, and 1890 be used to erect the buildings, which are very much needed, provided said funds can be made available for that purpose.

We suggest that the corporate name of the school be

“The Georgia State Industrial College for Colored Youths,” the corporate name now being “The School for Colored Youths.”

We suggest that, in order to encourage this school, graduates from this school should be granted license from the State school commissioner to teach the common schools among the colored people of the State. This privilege is granted to the graduates of the school at Dahlongega.

J. B. BUSSEY, Chairman Senate Committee.

By resolution of Mr. Sheppard, Mr. A. G. Cassels, of McIntosh, Ga., was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Catoosa.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to prohibit the sale of spirituous, alcoholic, malt, or intoxicating liquors in the corporate limits of the town of Desoto, in Sumter county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

A bill to amend the act for Troup county, so as to elect commissioners at general election.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to provide a system of public schools for the town of Oxford, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to incorporate the town of Young Harris, in Towns county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to amend an act to provide compensation for the members of the board of roads and revenues for Catoosa county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to create the office of commissioner of public works of the city of Savannah, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to amend an act incorporating the Monroe Banking, Loan and Guarantee Company.

Referred to the Committee on Banks.

A bill to incorporate the town of Braswell, in the county of Paulding, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to amend the charter of Roberta, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to amend an act approved October 20, 1889, incorporating the town of Meigs, in Thomas county.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to authorize and empower the mayor and council of the town of Decatur, to DeKalb county, to provide for registration and license of every trade, business calling, avocation, or profession prosecuted and carried on within the incorporate limits of said town.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to create and organize a board of tax-assessors and receivers for the city of Savannah.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to authorize the town council of Bowman to issue bonds, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Savannah Bank and Trust Company of Savannah, and the amendments thereto, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Banks.

A bill to fix permanently the title and status of the piece of ground on the southeast corner of South Broad and Abercorn streets, in the city of Savannah, known as the "Old Cemetery," etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Dawson, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to amend an act approved December 4, 1893, which authorizes the board of commissioners of the town of Washington, Ga., to issue bonds, etc.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to provide for a change of the names and principal officers of banking, railroad, insurance, express, telegraph, canal, and navigation companies.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to repeal so much of the act creating a board of



commissioners for the county of DeKalb as limits the salary of the clerk thereof, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to prohibit hunting with dogs and guns and fishing on the lands of others in the county of Appling.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to incorporate the town of Douglas, in Coffee county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to repeal an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Berrien county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to limit the jurisdiction of the city court of DeKalb county in civil cases to amounts exceeding one hundred dollars.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to provide for the election of county commissioners for the county of Berrien.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

And a resolution for the relief of Willis Fields of Henry county

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration House bill No. 286, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

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A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the county court of Emanuel county.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

The Senate took up the report of Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to provide for the removal of obstructions from the rivers, creeks, and other running streams in Elbert county, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 35, nays 0.

Mr. Osborne, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bill of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 243, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 708 of the Code, which relates to the duties of railroads at public road crossways, by requiring the locomotive bell to be rung, and striking out the requirement to check and keep checking the speed thereof so as to stop should any person or thing be crossing the track on the public road.

The Committee on Railroads have also had under consideration the following bill of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same be read a second time and recommitted, to wit :

Senate Bill No. 211, a bill to be entitled an act to

amend an act approved December 17, 1892, entitled an act to carry into effect article 3, section 7, paragraph 18 of the constitution of this State, by striking out the word "ten" where it occurs in the ninth and eleventh lines of the fifteenth section of said act, and in lieu thereof inserting the word "twenty."

W W OSBORNE,  
Chairman Committee on Railroads.

The bills set forth in the foregoing report were taken up, read the second time, and passed to a third reading.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended, to wit :

Senate bill No. 155, by Senator Sheppard of the Second, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2571 of the Code, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the introducer be allowed to withdraw the same, to wit :

Senate bill No. 135, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, to be entitled an act to amend an act to regulate the business of building and loan associations, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 148, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4349 of the Code of 1882, which defines the crime of rape by providing that females under the age of fourteen years shall be incapable of consenting, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The bill of the House to amend an act to prohibit the sale of alcoholic, spirituous, or malt liquors, etc., in Elbert county was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bill of the House, to wit:

A bill to create a board of fire commissioners for the city of Savannah.

The House has concurred in the amendments of the Senate to the following House bill, to wit:

A bill to create and organize a board of police commissioners for the city of Savannah, to define its jurisdiction, duties, and powers.

By resolution of Mr. Snead, the Hon. James M. Dupree, of Macon county, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 2571 of the Code, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with certain amendments which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the ayes and nays were demanded by Mr. Beeks and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	McMillan,	Storey,
Bush,	McGregor,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Monro,	Snead,
Boyd,	Morton,	Sharpe,
Brand,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Brown,	McClure,	Upchurch,
Cumming,	Norman,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	Osborne,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Ryals,	Wade.
Johnson,	Roberts,	Whitley,
Keen,	Sheppard,	Williams.
Long,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Lumpkin,
Harrison,	Little,	Starr.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Craigo,	Mercer,	Mr. President.
Harris of the 3d,		

Yeas 34. Nays 6. Not voting 4.

So the bill was passed, as amended, by a constitutional majority.

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Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, and direct me to report

the same, with recommendation that it be read second time and recommitted to the committee:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Macon, to change the term of the mayor and devolve certain powers and duties upon him, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Guyton.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 31, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Cohutta, in Whitfield county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to create a board of education for the town of Lithonia, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was amended as follows, on motion of Mr. Beeks, to wit:

Amend section 14 by inserting in second line of said section the word "board" after the word "said."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 34, nays 0.

The bill of the House to create a board of fire commissioners of the city of Savannah was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By resolution of Mr. Sharpe, the Hon. C. P. Gordon was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

The bill of the House to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Waynesboro to issue bonds, etc., and for other purposes, was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The bill of the House to abolish the county court of Emanuel county was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Sheppard—

A bill to regulate hunting and fishing in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Wilson—

A bill to authorize any written instrument to be admitted in evidence when the subscribing witnesses are dead, insane, incompetent, inaccessible, or, being produced, do not recollect the transaction, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Wilson—

A bill to amend section 3837 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

# SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, November 27, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Long,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Little,	Storey.
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Snead,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Brand,	McGregor,	Starr,
Brown,	Monro,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Williams,
Johnson,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Ryals,	
Lewis,	Roberts,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Wade.

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth District, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.



The Senate took up the report of the Committee on the Penitentiary on the bill of the Senate to place county and municipal chain-gangs under the control and supervision of the Governor and the penitentiary department, to provide for their regular inspection, and for other purposes, the same being the special order for this day

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment, which was adopted.

Mr. Lumpkin moved to amend by striking out the fifth section of the bill.

This motion did not prevail.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, as follows :

Amend to come in at the end of section 1 : “ provided, however, that nothing in this act shall be construed to take from the county authorities the right to designate the work upon which the county chain-gangs may be placed, or to authorize the Governor to take any chain-gang outside the limits of the county establishing and maintaining the same.”

Mr. Tatum moved to amend the report, as amended, by striking out of the fourth line of the fifth section the words “ \$1,200,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “\$1,000.

On the question of adopting this proposed amendment, Mr. Tatum demanded the yeas and nays, which were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brown,  
Johnson,  
Keen,  
Lewis,  
Lumpkin,

McMillan,  
McGarrity,  
McClure,  
Snead,  
Sharpe,

Tatum,  
Upchurch,  
Williams.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harris of the 22d,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Mercer,	Starr,
Boyd,	Monro,	Wilson,
Cumming,	Morton,	Whitley.
Craig,	Osborne,	
Harris of the 12th,	Ryals,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brand,	McGregor,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 3d,	Norman,	Wade,
Harrison,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.

Yeas 13. Nays 22. Not voting 9.

So the proposed amendment was lost.

The report as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 33, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to fix the official bond of the tax-receiver of Bibb county.

Also, a bill to establish a city court for the county of Coffee.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Alto.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of water for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county in the State, so far as the same applies to the county of Glynn.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Brunswick.

Also, a bill to establish a new charter for the town of Calhoun.

The House has adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution requesting the Governor to pay certain coupons of the Northeastern Railroad.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to create and organize a park and tree commission for the city of Savannah, to define its jurisdiction and powers, and for other purposes.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to provide for the protection of the cemetery reserve in the city of Macon.

They have also considered the following bills, which they recommend do not pass, to wit :

A bill to amend section 4527 of the Code of 1882, so as to exempt sheriffs and their deputies from the operation of said section.

Also, a bill to create a county court for the county of Echols.

They recommend that the following Senate bill be read a second time, and recommitted to said committee, to wit :

A bill to provide for the election of a clerk of commissioners of roads and revenues for Fulton county by the voters of said county.

The committee also recommend that the following House bills do pass, the proofs having been examined, and found correct, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, so as to authorize the mayor and council to require every person, firm, company, or corporation doing any business in said city to register his or their trade, calling, business, or profession, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Webster.

Also, a bill to amend an act entitled an act to protect the game in the State of Georgia during certain seasons, approved December 20, 1893.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

Mr. Sheppard, chairman *pro tem.* of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following bills, and direct me to report the same properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House :

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for service by publication, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Carrollton to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds for school-houses, furniture, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the commissioners of roads and revenues of Chatham county to acquire by purchase or condemnation proceedings any road in said county owned by any private person or corporation upon which tolls are charged.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1978 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Roberts, chairman of the Committee on Lunatic Asylum, submitted the following report :

*Mr President :*

The Senate and House Committee on the Lunatic Asylum, acting as a joint committee, on November 9, 1895, visited the asylum and made such investigation as the limited time at their disposal would permit, and are pleased to report the affairs of the institution in a satisfactory condition.

The trustees, superintendent, physicians, and other officers are believed to be, without exception, faithful and efficient and devoted to the best interests of the institution and the State, and should be cordially commended for the faithful execution of so great a trust.

The care and responsibility resting upon these officials are inconceivable to one unacquainted with the magnitude of this institution.

The annual report of the trustees and superintendent has been verified by your committee, and to it they refer for a detailed account of the affairs of the asylum.

We are very much gratified to report that the \$100,000 appropriated by the legislature of 1892-3 for the erection of additional buildings has been wisely and economically expended by the board of trustees. With that appropriation they have erected buildings to accommodate about nine hundred (900) patients—five hundred (500) whites and four hundred (400) colored—an average per capita cost of \$111.11, or at about one-third of the cost per capita of the convalescent building constructed in 1881-3.

The new annex for the colored patients was completed several months ago, and the negro insane committed to the asylum, and for a time before the completion of this building confined in the prisons and poor-houses of the State, have been received, and there remains room enough for all who are likely to be committed for some time to come.

At the time of our visit the splendid new building for the whites was nearing completion, and on or before December 15th will be fully equipped and ready to be occupied, with nothing lacking to make it comfortable and healthful for the inmates, except a substantial brick wall around the building, inclosing a yard where the patients may enjoy fresh air and out-door exercise, which are very necessary for the well-being of the patient, and without which we are told by the physicians the best results in treatment cannot be attained.

We therefore recommend that the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) be appropriated for the purpose of erecting said wall, that sum being the amount necessary for the work, as per estimate of asylum engineer and architect.

We find that two of the detached buildings are heated by crude and antiquated apparatus, costly to maintain, in-

sufficient to heat the buildings, and dangerous to the safety of the buildings.

We recommend that the sum of (\$5,552.00) five thousand five hundred and fifty-two dollars be appropriated for the purpose of substituting a regular steam heating system in connection with the general plan of heating for the modern buildings, in place of the defective apparatus now in use.

Respectfully submitted.

RUFUS W. ROBERTS, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 97, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, to be entitled an act to authorize females to hold certain civil offices, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 225, by Senator Whitley of the Thirty-sixth, to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 16, 1891, to authorize the judge in the superior court of this State, in any case of seduction or divorce or other case where the evidence is vulgar or obscene, to hear and try the case after clearing the court, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, to wit ;

Senate bill No. 201, by Mr. Lewis of the Nineteenth, to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds and negotiate the same, etc.

Also, House bill No. 422, by Mr. Lee of Walker, to be entitled an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction of this State over certain lands and certain public roads, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass by substitute, to wit :

Senate bill No. 5, by Senator Wade of the Seventeenth, to be entitled an act to alter and amend paragraph 2 section 2 article 7 of the Constitution of the State.

Also, Senate bill No. 186, by Senator McGarrity of the Thirty-eighth, to be entitled an act to amend an act to establish boards of medical examiners, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Cumming offered the following resolution, which was read and agreed to, to wit :

*Resolved*, That the Senate sit to-day until the Secretary's desk is cleared, and that when it adjourns it adjourn to reconvene Friday morning.

Mr. Mercer submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

Your committee appointed to look into the appropriation for the agricultural department, find that our worthy commissioner of agriculture has by commendable economy saved to the State the sum of \$4,000 out of the appropriation for 1893 and 1894, which is now covered into the treasury

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER,  
W C. BEEKS,  
WM. A. BROUGHTON.



The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Brand—

A bill to provide for levy and sale of property when the relation of vendor and vendee exists, authorizing the sale of the vendee's interests under his bond for title or contract of purchase, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Lumpkin—

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Kingston, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Keen—

A bill to abolish the city court of Laurens county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Mercer—

A bill to create a commission to secure manuscript of text-books for the common schools, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following bills, which they recommend do not pass, to wit :

A bill to levy and collect a tax on the amount of money paid in by any person or persons in the State for life insurance policies, for the support of the State government, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the deposit of money or securities by mutual life insurance companies of this State who seek to do business in other States.

The committee also recommend that the following resolutions do pass, to wit :

A resolution relieving Brunswick State bank and its sureties from payment of interest in *fi. fa.*

Also, a resolution for the relief of the North Highlands Railroad Company.

Also, a resolution to authorize the State Treasurer to pay John Faver for services, etc.

The committee also recommend that the following resolution do pass as amended, to wit :

A resolution for the relief of J. S. McGahee, of McDuffie county.

The committee also recommend that the following bill be reported back to be read the second time and recommended to the Finance Committee, to wit :

A bill to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad, to confer certain powers and duties upon the Governor with reference thereto, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. McClure after to-day until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Broughton, one hundred copies of the report of the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred, as indicated, to wit :

A bill to incorporate the town of Alto, in the counties of Banks and Habersham.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to create a board of commissioners of water for the city of Savannah.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county in this State, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January 19, 1872, and all acts amendatory thereof, so far as the same relates to the county of Glynn.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to establish a new charter for the town of Calhoun, in Gordon county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to fix the official bond of the receiver of tax returns in Bibb county, at ten thousand dollars, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to establish the city court of Brunswick, in and for the county of Glynn, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to establish the city court of Coffee county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A resolution requesting the Governor to pay certain coupons of the Northeastern Railroad.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Boyd, of the Thirty-second district, chairman of the Temperance Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following bill, which they instruct me to report, with the recommendation that the same be read a second time, and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of Roberta, etc., by Mr. Futrell, of Crawford.

Respectfully submitted.

M. G. BOYD, Chairman.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act, approved December 4, 1893, which authorizes the board of commissioners of the town of Washington, Ga., to issue and sell bonds for the purpose of purchasing or building public school buildings.

Respectfully submitted.

I. A. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

Mr. Harrison, by general consent, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time, and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Twiggs county, and for other purposes.

By general consent Mr. Roberts introduced a bill to authorize the trustees of the State Lunatic Asylum to discharge William Schuwurz.

Referred to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Long offered the following bills, which were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit :

A bill to provide for a fixed compensation to the Comptroller-General, as insurance commissioner, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, by Mr. Long—

A bill to require banks chartered by this State, where the capital stock is impaired, to make the same good by transfer from the surplus, or individual profits thereof, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Munro introduced a bill to authorize county authorities, in whose counties there are no municipal or county chain-gangs, to hire out misdemeanor convicts to private individuals, upon such terms as may subserve the ends of justice, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Sheppard, chairman Military Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Military Committee have had under consideration Senate bill No. 220, by Mr. Sheppard, of the Second dis-

trict, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that the bill be read a second time and recommitted to the Military Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to fix permanently the title and status of the price of ground on the southeast corner of South Broad and Abercorn street in the city of Savannah, known as the old cemetery.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

Mr. Broughton, chairman of the Agricultural Committee, submitted the following the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Agricultural Committee have had under consideration a bill by Mr. Tatum, of the Forty-fourth district, to be entitled an act to prohibit any non-resident person or persons from camp-hunting in the county of Dade, to provide a penalty therefor, and for other purposes, and they direct me to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate to provide for the election of the clerk of the commissioners of roads and revenues of Fulton county by the qualified voters of said county, and for other purposes, was read the second time and recommitted.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to amend an act approved October 15, 1891, to authorize the judge of the superior court of this State in any case of seduction or divorce or other case where the evidence is vulgar or obscene, to hear and try the case after clearing the court of all or any portion of the audience, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the protection of the cemetery reserve in the city of Macon.

Also, a bill to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad, etc.

Also, a bill to amend an act to establish boards of medical examiners for the State of Georgia.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A resolution for the relief of the North Highlands Railroad Company.

Also, a resolution for the relief of J. S. McGahee of McDuffie county.

Also, a resolution relieving Brunswick State Bank and securities, etc.

Also, a resolution to authorize the State Treasurer to pay John Faver for services, etc.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dalton.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a board of roads and revenues for the county of Webster.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Roberta, and for other purposes.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under considerations the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the introducer have leave to withdraw the same, to wit:

A bill, No. 166, to authorize the town of Buford in Gwinnett county, to establish and maintain a system of public schools.

Also, bill No. 194, to authorize the town of Buford in Gwinnett county, to establish and maintain a system of public schools.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following acts, which they find duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate, to wit:

An act to amend an act of the General Assembly of



Georgia, approved October 22, 1889, by striking the word "fishing" from the first line of the title of said act, etc.

Also, an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison.

Also, an act to authorize the city council of Augusta to increase its water supply by constructing water works beyond the corporate limits.

Also, a resolution appointing a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House to ascertain what companies are in arrears for convicts and to report to General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWIN R. SHARPE, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate adversely reported by the Finance Committee, to wit:

A bill to levy and collect a tax on the amount of money paid in by any person or persons for life insurance, was, on motion of Mr. McGarrity, recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Lewis introduced a bill to incorporate the Brunswick, LaGrange and Northwestern Railroad, and for other purposes, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The bill of the House to amend an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth, and for other purposes, was taken up for a third reading and was laid on the table.

The bill of the Senate to authorize females to hold certain civil offices, etc., which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion, laid on the table.

The bill of the Senate to alter and amend paragraph 2, section 2, article 7 of the Constitution of this State, which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion, laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the Senate, to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds and negotiate the same for the purpose of raising money with which to pay off an amount of the public debt maturing July 1, 1896, which is not provided for by the sinking fund that will be in the treasury at such time, and for other purposes.

The report was favorable to the passage of the bill with an amendment which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 33, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Railroads on the bill of the Senate to amend section 708 of the Code, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to amend section 1 of an act establishing a school for colored students, approved November 26, 1890.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with cer-

tain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to protect the game in this State during certain seasons, approved December 20, 1893, and for other purposes, the same being a reconsidered bill.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 25, nays 1.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to abolish the county court of Emanuel county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to provide compensation to the commissioners of Thomas county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 32, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to establish a system of public schools for the town of Guyton, Ga.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.

Mr. Harris, in behalf of the minority of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following minority report :

*Mr President :*

The undersigned members of the General Judiciary Committee dissent from the report of the majority of said committee recommending the passage of Senate bill No. 97, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, which is a bill to be entitled an act to authorize females to hold certain civil offices and perform certain civil functions in this State, and for other purposes, on the following grounds, to wit :

First. The enactment of said bill into a law would convene the settled policy of this State, which has existed from its beginning as a commonwealth to the present time.

Second. It would be the first step toward the modern doctrine of woman's suffrage—a thing which is contrary to the best interests of our people, at least in the South.

Third. It is neither demanded by the women of our country, nor is it necessary to their advancement and enlightened progress.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS,  
C. C. BUSH,  
LEON A. WILSON,  
TRAMMELL STARR,  
J. B. BUSSEY

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. McGarrity, Ryals, Brown, and Bussey

Mr. Long introduced a bill which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to regulate the business of insurance brokers in this State, and for other purposes.

The bill of the Senate to prohibit camp hunting, etc., by non-residents in Dade county was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The bills of the House to amend an act authorizing the board of commissioners of the town of Washington, Ga., to issue bonds, etc.

Also, a bill to fix permanently the price of ground on the southeast corner of South Broad and Abercorn street in Savannah, and for other purposes, were read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to cede to the United States jurisdiction of the State over certain lands and certain public roads and approaches to the Chickamauga National Military Park in the counties of Walker and Catoosa.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with certain amendments which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, as amended, Mr. Cumming demanded the yeas and nays, which were recorded.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bussey,	Little,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Craig,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams,
Keen,	Roberts,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Bush,	Cumming,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d,	Norman,	Wade,
McClure,	Upchurch,	Mr. President.
Morton,		

Ayes 35. Nays 2. Not voting 7

So the bill was passed, as amended, by a constitutional majority.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the House to amend an act to prohibit the sale of alcoholic, spirituous, or malt liquors, or intoxicating bitters, or intoxicating drugs of any kind, in the county of Elbert, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended—  
yeas 29, nays 0.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Story and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Little was, on motion, added to the Committee on General Judiciary.

By resolution of Mr. Brand, the Hon. W P Bond was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. Friday next.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Friday, November 29, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Those present were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Brand,	McMillan,	Starr,
Brown,	Mercer	Tatum,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Norman,	Williams,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Morton,	Snead,
Craig,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Wade.
Keen,	Storey,	

Mr. Harris of the Twelfth District, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct.

It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Tatum moved a reconsideration of the action of the Senate on Wednesday last in passing a bill of the Senate to amend section 708 of the Code in relation to duties of railroads at public road-crossings, etc., and for other purposes.

The motion to reconsider prevailed, and the bill was put upon its passage.

The same was amended, on motion of Mr. Tatum, by adding to the end of the first section the following :

“ Provided, however, should the engineer see any person or thing on the crossing he shall at once begin to check and keep checking the train until it reaches the crossing, or until such person or thing leaves the crossing.”

The report as amended was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Enrollment have had under consideration the following act and resolution, which they report duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate, to wit :

An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Cartersville, Bartow county, Georgia, approved August 27, 1872, and various acts amendatory thereof, etc.

A resolution authorizing and directing the Comptroller-



General to reopen the matter of assessments of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWIN R. SHARPE, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, the proofs being correct :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the mayor and aldermen of Savannah to condemn property for the purpose of widening, extending, or straightening any street, etc.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to create a board of fire commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act, approved October 20, 1889, incorporating the town of Meigs, in Thomas county

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to create the office of commissioner of public works in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Young Harris, in Towns county, Georgia, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to create and organize a board of tax assessors and receivers for the city of Savannah.

They direct me to report the following bill, with recommendation that it do pass as amended :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Dawson so as to require the election of the clerk of council by the mayor and aldermen, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to provide a system of public schools for the town of Oxford, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize the town of Bowman to issue bonds to be used and disposed of for the purpose of securing free tuition to all children of school age within said town, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional vote of yeas 126, nays 17, to wit :

A bill to amend the Constitution of the State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, section 2, to be known as paragraph 8, so as to change the organization of the Supreme Court, to increase the number of associate justices, to provide for election by the people, and for other purposes.

The House has also passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Waynesboro, Ga.

The House has also adopted the following resolution of the House, to wit :

A resolution approving the bill now pending before the National Congress looking to the establishing of a dry dock and repair station at Key West, in the State of Florida.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, as amended, to wit :

A resolution inviting the Hon. S. D. Bradwell to address the General Assembly on November 29th at 7 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Sheppard, the amendment of the House to the resolution of the Senate, inviting Hon. S. D. Bradwell to address the General Assembly, was taken up and concurred in.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend that same be read the second time and recommitted to this committee, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of Jackson county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

On the call of the roll the following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit:

By Mr. Long—

A bill to permit the State as the owner of the Northeastern Railroad to be sued in certain cases.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. McGarrity—

A bill to amend an act regulating sales of fertilizers in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, a bill to amend an act as to inspection, analysis, and sale of fertilizers, approved October 19, 1891, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 219, by Senator Tatum of the Forty-fourth, to be entitled an act to authorize justices of the peace and notaries public of this State to preside in districts other than those they were elected or appointed to, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 231, by Senator Monro of the Twenty-fourth, to be entitled an act to amend section 4310 of the Code, so as to permit the county authorities in this State to hire misdemeanor convicts to private persona, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 250, by Senator Wilson of the Fifth, to be entitled an act to authorize any written instrument to be admitted in evidence when the subscribing witnesses are dead, insane, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 257, by Senator Monro of the Twenty-fourth, to be entitled an act to authorize county authorities, in whose counties there are no municipal or county chain-gangs, to hire out misdemeanor convicts to private persons, etc.

Also, House bill No. 207, by Mr. Rawlings of Washington, to be entitled an act to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882, etc.

Also, House bill No. 389, by Mr. Fleming of Richmond, to be entitled an act to make the personal earnings of a married woman, when working for any one other than her husband, her separate property, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, to wit :

Senate bill No. 209, by Senator Boyd of the Thirty-second, to be entitled an act to approve, adopt, and make of force the Code of laws prepared under the direction and by authority of the General Assembly, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 251, by Senator Wilson of the Fifth, to be entitled an act to amend section 3837 of the Code of 1882, relating to cases in which the subscribing witnesses must be produced, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

House bill No. 362, by Mr. Worley of Elbert, to be en-

titled an act to change the time for holding the regular quarterly term of the city court of Elbert county, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the introducers be allowed to withdraw same, to wit :

Senate bill No. 46, by Senator Harris of the Twenty-second, to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 16, 1889, entitled an act to provide a system of taxation of railroad property, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 153, by Senator Bush of the Eighth, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to protect game, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 224, by Senator Bush of the Eighth, to be entitled an act to provide for the distribution of all money derived from the hire of convicts convicted of the offense of mayhem, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do not pass, to wit :

House bill No. 89, by Mr. Broyles of Fulton, to be entitled an act to provide for the record of escrow deeds, etc.

Also, House bill No. 114, by Mr. Jones of Dougherty, to be entitled an act to prohibit muscle, ventre, and other vulgar, obscene, and immoral dances, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 205, by Senator Johnson of the Thirty-third, to be entitled an act to prohibit a greater commission than 4 per cent. for negotiating loans, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 206, by Senator Johnson of the Thirty-third, to be entitled an act to amend section 2057(a) of the Code of 1882, by making it a penal offense to charge a greater rate of interest than is permitted by said section, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

Senate bill No. 235, by Senator Venable of the Thirty-fifth, to be entitled an act to amend an act approved December 18, 1893, amending section 1979 of the Code, which provides a lien in favor of mechanics of every sort, and material men, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Broughton offered the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following bills, to wit:

A bill to entitled an act to provide for pleading and proving a failure of the consideration of any promissory note, or other instrument in writing, given for commercial fertilizers, guanos, and manures; and to prescribe a penalty for failing to state the consideration in the face of any negotiable promissory note, or any other negotiable instrument given for the same, and they direct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that the introducer be allowed to withdraw same.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to regulate hunting and fishing in this State, to provide for "posting" lands, to prescribe a punishment for the violation of this provision of this act, and for other purposes, and they direct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the tolling of rice in this State, to provide a punishment for the unlawful tolling of the same, and for other purposes, and they direct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

Senator Boyd, chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 577, by Mr. Dodson of Sumter, to be entitled an act to prohibit the sale of spirituous, alcoholic, malt, or intoxicating liquors within the incorporate limits of the town of Desoto in Sumter county, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

M. G. BOYD, Chairman.

Mr. Sheppard, Chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following Senate bills, and direct me to report the same properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2571 of the Code of 1882, which provides for year's support for widows and minor children by striking therefrom the word "one" in the twenty-first line, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two," and for other purposes.



Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to establish a school for colored persons as a branch of the State University, approved November 26, 1890, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds and negotiate the same, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman.

Mr. Lewis, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration and report that it do pass :

No. 62, a resolution for the relief of Willis Fields.

Also, a bill, No. 214, to amend the general tax act of 1895 and 1896, so as change the license tax on daguerrean, ambrotype artist, etc. The committee permitted the introducer of this bill to withdraw it.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate to abolish the city court of Jackson county, was read the second time and recommended, to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the Senate to authorize justices of the peace and notaries public to preside in districts other than those in which elected or to which appointed, was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills of the Senate were withdrawn by general consent, to wit :

A bill to amend an act regulating the business of building and loan associations."

A bill to authorize the town of Buford to establish and maintain a system of public schools.

Also, a bill to authorize the town of Buford to establish and maintain a system of public schools, both bills having the same titles.

The following bill of the Senate was read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend, revise, and consolidate the military laws of this State, and for other purposes.

The following bill of the Senate was taken up under adverse reports, and lost by agreement with said reports, to wit :

A bill to require the board of education in each county to pay public school teachers the *pro rata* share of each pupil within the school age, etc.

The following bills of the House adversely reported, were lost by agreement with said reports, to wit :

A bill to provide for the deposit of money or securities by mutual life insurance companies.

Also, a bill to create a county court for the county of Echols.

Mr. Bush, Chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they recommend be read second time, and recommitted to this committee, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Twiggs County.

Also, a bill to be entitled an to provide for the removal of all obstructions from the running streams of Forsyth county.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session :

The following bills of the Senate, taken up under adverse reports, were, on motion, laid on the table, to wit :

A bill to amend section 4349 of the Code of 1882, and a bill to amend section 4527 of the Code.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend section 3837 of the Code, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities in counties and municipalities having no chain-gangs to hire convicts to private persons, etc.

Also, a bill to authorize any written instrument to be admitted in evidence when the subscribing witnesses are dead, insane, incompetent, inaccessible, or, being produced, do not recollect the transaction, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 4310 of the Code.

Also, a bill to regulate hunting and fishing in this State, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Twiggs county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act approved December 18, 1893, amending section 1979 of the Code, etc., was read the second time and recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Osborne, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bill of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate that same do pass by substitute, to wit :

Senate bill No. 211, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the act approved December 17, 1892, which provides for the granting of charters for railroads by the Secretary of State, by increasing the limit at which a line of railroad about to be built may parallel an existing line.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill of the House, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass as amended, to wit :

House bill No 30, a bill to amend the general railroad law.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill of the House, which they report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit :

House bill No. 315, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county commissioners, or ordinary in counties where there are no county commissioners, to remove obstructions and put in order railroad crossings where railroad companies do not comply with the notice to do so, and to collect the costs and expense of such work by issuing execution against such defaulting companies, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

W W OSBORNE, Chairman.

The bill of the House to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The bill of the House to provide for the removal of all obstructions from the running streams of Forsyth county was read the second time and recommitted.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to provide a system of public schools for the town of Oxford, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize the town council of Bowman to issue bonds, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to prohibit the sale of liquors in the town of Desoto, Sumter county

Also, a bill to amend an act approved October 20, 1889, incorporating the town of Meigs, in Thomas county

Also, a bill to create and organize a board of tax-assessors and receivers for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dawson, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to create a board of fire commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and aldermen of Savannah to condemn property for the purpose of widening, extending, and straightening any streets, etc.

Also, a bill to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to make the personal earnings of a married woman, when working for any one other than her husband, her separate property and not liable for the debts of her husband.

Also, a bill to create the office of commissioner of public works in the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Young Harris, in Towns county.

A resolution for the relief of Willis Fields of Henry county.

The bill of the House to change the regular quarterly term of the city court of Elbert county was read the second time and recommitted.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to approve, adopt, and make of force the Code of Laws, prepared under the direction and by authority of the General Assembly ; to provide for the printing and publication of the same, and for making indices thereto, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of the passage of the bill, with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended—yeas 34, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act to establish boards of medical examiners for the State of Georgia.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute, which was adopted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended by substitute—yeas 27, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has adopted the following resolution of the House, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked :

Whereas, It is inconvenient for the House of Representatives to meet in joint session this evening at 7 o'clock, owing to the press of business, and that said joint session be postponed until Monday at 12 o'clock.

The resolution mentioned in the foregoing message was, on motion of Mr. Sheppard, taken up and concurred in.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration Senate bill No. 252, which thy instruct me to report back for second reading, and to be recommitted.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the Senate to regulate the tolling of rice in this State, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended by substitute—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to alter and amend paragraph 2, section 2, article 7 of the Constitution of the State.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute.

The substitute was amended, on motion of Mr. Brand, by adding after the word “ratification,” in the fifteenth line of the second section, the words “exempting school property from taxation.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, as amended by substitute, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.

Beeks,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Brand,	McMillan,	Starr,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Craig,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wade.
Harrison,	Ryals,	Williams.
Lewis,	Roberts,	Mr. President.



Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Keen,	Snead,
Brown,	McGarritty,	
Johnson,	Osborne,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bussey,	McClure,	Whitley.
Harris of the 3d,	Storey,	
Morton,	Wilcox,	

Yeas 30. Nays 7 Not voting 7

So the bill was passed, as amended by substitute, by a constitutional majority

Mr. Beeks moved that when the Senate adjourns this day it will adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday.

On this motion, the yeas and nays were required and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Johnson,	McGarity,
Bush,	Keen,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Lewis,	Starr,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Tatum,
Craig,	McGregor,	Williams,

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Sanford,
Brown,	Monro,	Snead,
Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Wade.
Long,	Ryals,	
Little,	Roberts,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bussey.	McClure,	Whitley,
Harris of the 3d,	Storey,	Mr. President.
Harris of the 22d,	Upchurch,	
Morton,	Wilcox,	

Yeas 15. Nays 19. Not voting 10.

So the motion was lost.

The Senate, on motion, went into executive session, and returned to open session.

The following gentlemen were, by resolution, invited to seats in the Senate, viz: Hon. DeWitt Bemis, J. H. McCalla, R. H. Beckham, John E. Herman, and R. B. Bullock, of South Carolina; and J. N. McCalla and Dr. T. O. McCalla, of Georgia; Dr. W. T. Carter of Quitman county, Georgia; Jas. L. Irick, of Bartow county; Hon. W. W. Fleming, of Calhoun, Georgia; Judge W. D. Fleming, of the county of Marion, and Hon. W. W. Fitzgerald, ex-Senator from the county of Stewart.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Saturday, November 30, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Roberts, chairman of the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on the Lunatic Asylum have had under consideration Senate bill No. 253, and recommend that it be read the second time and recommitted.

RUFUS W. ROBERTS, Chairman.

Leave of absence was granted for this day to Messrs. Starr, Brand, Keen, Little, McMillan, Beeks, Snead, Lewis, and Johnson, and to Mr. Norman for Monday and Tuesday next.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to more fully protect the game in the State of Georgia, so as to change the time when deer and other game may be killed.

Also, a bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of alcoholic liquors, intoxicating bitters, and intoxicating drugs in the county of Elbert.

Also, a bill to cede to the United States certain lands and public roads in the counties of Walker and Catoosa.

Also, a bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Abbeville, and to provide for a board of education, and for other purposes.

Mr. Lumpkin submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration Senate bill No. 259, by Senator Long of the Thirtieth district, to provide for a fixed compensation for insurance commissioner and clerk of insurance department, and for other purposes, which they instruct me to report back, with the request that it be read a second time and recommitted.

W. H. LUMPKIN, Chairman *pro tem*.

The bill of the House to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to authorize the trustees of the lunatic asylum to discharge William Schwarz.

Also, a bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Kingston, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for a fixed compensation for insurance commissioner and clerk of insurance department, and for other purposes.

The bill of the House to amend the Constitution of the State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, to be known as paragraph 8, so as to change the organization of the Supreme Court, etc., and for other purposes, was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The resolution of the House approving the bill now pending in the National Congress for establishing a dry-dock at Key West, Fla., was, on motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 134, by Senator Roberts of the Twentieth, to be entitled an act to provide for a board of equalization, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 158, by Senator Brand of the Thirty-fourth, to be entitled an act to amend section 3554 of the Code of Georgia of 1882, so as to provide that certain per cent. of said wages shall not be exempt from process of garnishment, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 168, by Senator Monro of the Twenty-fourth, to be entitled an act to amend section 3554 of the Code of Georgia of 1882, so as to provide that only two dollars per day, etc., shall be exempt from the process of garnishment, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 203, by Senator Mercer of the Ninth, to be entitled an act to require the judges of the superior courts to select and appoint an official organ, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 217, by Senator Whitley of the Thirty-sixth, to be entitled an act to transfer the county of Campbell from the Coweta judicial circuit, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, to wit :

Senate bill No. 80, by Senator Venable of the Thirty-fifth, to be entitled an act to amend paragraph 1, section 3 of article 8 of the Constitution, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 182, by Senator Long of the Thirtieth, to be entitled an act to repeal paragraphs 8 and 9 of section 1 of article 5 of the Constitution of Georgia, which refer to the filling of vacancies and unexpired terms in the office of Governor, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 236, by Senator Harris of the Twenty-second, to be entitled an act to make more specific the crime of barratry, etc.

Also, House bill No. 383, by Mr. Middlebrooks of Newton, to be entitled an act to amend section 534 of the Code of 1882, as amended, etc.

Also, House bill No. 400, by Mr. Broyles of Fulton, to be entitled an act to make the the owners of dead animals bury same.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

Senate bill No. 229, by Senator Harris of the Twenty-second, to be entitled an act to establish a court of appeals, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 254, by Senator Brand of the Thirty-fourth, to be entitled an act to provide for the levy and sale of property when the relation of vendor and vendee exists, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 262, by Senator Long of the Thirtieth, to be entitled an act to regulate the business of insurance brokers, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that introducer be allowed to withdraw, to wit :

Senate bill No. 242, by Senator McGarrity of the Thirtieth, to be entitled an act to levy and collect a tax on the amount of money paid in by any person or persons in this State for life insurance, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 62, by Senator Sheppard of the Second, to be entitled an act to amend paragraph 1, section 12, article 7, and paragraph 2, section 3, article 6 of the Constitution, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 125, by Senator Whitley of the Thirty-sixth, to be entitled an act to provide for the speedy trial of certain criminal cases, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 137, by Senator Harris of the Third, to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved July 22, 1891, which declares all obligations to pay attorney fees void, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 145, by Senator Harris of the Twelfth, to be entitled an act to prevent the printing, publishing, selling, offering to sell, or otherwise disposing of books, etc., containing the history of any man popularly known as an outlaw.

Also, Senate bill No. 240, by Senator Mercer of the Ninth, to be entitled an act to make the charging of certain usury a felony, etc.

Also, House bill No. 6, by Mr. Rockwell of Chatham, to be entitled an act to require non-resident fishermen, etc., to pay a license, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Railroads on the bill of the Senate to amend the general Railroad Law of 1892.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended, by substitute—yeas 23, nays 0.

Mr. Bush, chairman of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to create a county court in each county in the State of Georgia, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January 19, 1872.

They have also had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend be read a second time and recommitted to this committee, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to establish the city court of Brunswick in and for the county of Glynn.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the election of county commissioners for the county of Berrien.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide compensation for the members of the board of roads and revenues for Catoosa county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Catoosa, approved March 5, 1895.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to prohibit hunting with dogs and guns, and fishing on the lands of others, in the county of Appling.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Long, chairman of the Committee on Banks, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee has had under consideration the following bill, by Mr. Long of the Thirtieth District, No. 260, which they recommend do pass, to wit :



A bill to be entitled an act to require banks chartered under the laws of this State, where their capital stock is impaired, to make the same good by transfer from the surplus or individual profits thereof to the capital stock, and for other purposes

Also, a bill by Mr. Willingham of Monroe, No. 560, which they recommend do pass.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Monroe Banking, Loan and Guarantee Company

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

The following bills of the Senate, taken up for a third reading, were laid on the table, to wit:

A bill to provide for a board of equalization of real and personal property, etc.

Also, a bill to authorize justices of the peace and notaries public to preside in certain cases in other districts than those to which elected or appointed.

Also, a bill to amend an act, approved October 16, 1891, to authorize the judge in the superior court of this State, in any case of seduction or divorce or other case where the evidence is vulgar or obscene, to hear and try the case after clearing the court of all or any portion of the audience, and for other purposes.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 4310 of the Code, so as to allow the county authorities in this State to hire misdemeanor convicts to private persons, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for the protection of the cemetery reserve in the city of Macon, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The bill of the Senate to prohibit non-residents from camp-hunting in the county of Dade was taken up for a third reading and laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to authorize any written instrument to be admitted in evidence when the subscribing witnesses are dead, insane, incompetent, inaccessible, or, being produced, do not recollect the transaction, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 3837 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and pass as amended—yeas 23, nays 0.

The bill of the Senate to authorize county authorities, in whose counties there are no municipal or county chain-

gangs, to hire out misdemeanor convicts to private individuals, upon such terms and restrictions as may subserve the ends of justice, and to provide for the distribution of the money arising therefrom, and for other purposes, was taken up for a third reading and laid on the table, the report having been agreed to and the bill read the third time.

Mr. Sheppard, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee on Engrossing have had under examination the following bills, which were found properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish a board of medical examiners for the State of Georgia, to define their duties and powers, and for other purposes, approved December 12, 1894.

Also a bill to be entitled an act to approve, adopt and make of force the Code of Laws prepared under the direction and by authority of the General Assembly, to provide for the printing and publication of the same, and for making indices thereto, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the tolling of rice in this State, to provide a punishment for unlawful tolling of the same, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to place county and municipal chain-gangs under the control and supervision of the Governor and the penitentiary department, to provide for their regular inspection, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 708 of the Code, which relates to the duties of railroads at public road

crossings, by requiring the locomotive bell to be rung, and striking out the requirement to check and keep checking the speed thereof, so as to stop, should any person or thing be crossing the track on the public road, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem*. of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Twiggs county.

Your committee have also had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do not pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of Jackson county.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Railroads on the bill of the House to amend the general railroad law.

The committee reported in favor of the passage of the bill with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary

Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 1291 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Monro, the following bill of the Senate was taken from the table, to wit :

To authorize county authorities in whose counties there are no municipal or county chain-gangs to hire out misdemeanor convicts to private individuals, upon such terms and restrictions as may subserve the ends of justice, and to provide for the distribution of the money arising therefrom, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Mercer, the previous action of the Senate on this bill to-day was reconsidered, when he proposed the following amendment to the report, which was adopted and the report was agreed to, to wit :

Amend section in the last line by striking out the following word after the words "treasury," viz. : "to be appropriated to the payment of insolvent costs."

The bill as amended was, on motion, again laid on the table.

The bill of the Senate to require banks chartered by this State, where the capital stock is impaired, to make good the same, and for other purposes, was taken up for a third reading and laid on the table.

The bill of the House to amend an act incorporating the Monroe Banking, Loan and Guarantee Company was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary

Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Dalton, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The bill of the House to make the personal earnings of a married woman, when working for any one other than her husband, her separate property, etc., which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion, laid on the table.

By resolution of Mr. McGregor, Lieutenant Governor Timmerman of South Carolina was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to create a board of fire commissioners for the city of Savannah.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass as amended, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act establishing a new charter for the city of Covington.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to make more specific the crime of barratry in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend paragraph 1, section 3 of article 8 of the Constitution.

Also, a bill to amend section 3554 of the Code, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to require the judges of superior courts to select and appoint an official organ in the several counties, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to repeal paragraphs 8 and 9 of section 1 of article 5 of the Constitution of Georgia, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 3554 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to transfer the county of Campbell from the Coweta judicial circuit.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to establish a court of appeals, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the levy and sale of property when the relation of vendor and vendee exists, authorizing the sale of the vendee's interests under his bond for title or contract of purchase.

Also, a bill to regulate the business of insurance brokers in this State.

The bill of the House to authorize the mayor and aldermen of Savannah to condemn property for widening, ex-

tending, or straightening streets, which was taken up for a third reading, was laid on the table, the report having been agreed to and the bill read the third time.

Leave of absence for Monday next was granted Messrs. Cumming and McGregor.

By general consent, Mr. Broughton introduced the following bills, which were read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads, to wit :

A bill to require the several railroad companies in this State to accept and haul, upon equal terms, from railroads with which they connect, sleeping-cars and passenger-coaches destined to points on or beyond the lines of such railroads, and provide penalties for a refusal to do so, and punish persons for violating this act.

Also, a bill to prevent all discrimination, and to provide for equal facilities and advantages being afforded by all railroad companies doing business in this State to all railroad companies, within or without the State, with which they immediately or mediately connect, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to regulate the movement of cars, trains, and traffic between lines connecting within this State, etc., and for other purposes.

Mr. Wilson, by general consent, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill to amend section 926 of the Code of 1882, etc.

The Senate, having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday.



## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Monday, December 2, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Long,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarritty,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Williams,
Keen,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Lewis,	Roberts,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	Johnson,	Storey,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Craigo,	Norman,	Wilcox.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct.

It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Venable, the President, offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read, agreed to, and ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House, to wit :

A resolution asking an appropriation from the Government of the United States for a roadway from Atlanta to McPherson Barracks, etc.

Mr. Harris of the Third District introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill to amend an act approved December 20, 1893, by striking out the figures "50" immediately after the word "than" in the last line of section the first of said act, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ninety," and for other purposes.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to provide compensation for members of the board of roads and revenues for Catoosa county.

Also, a bill to provide for the election of county commissioners for the county of Berrien.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Brunswick, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to prevent hunting with dogs and guns and fishing on the lands of another in the county of Appling, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Catoosa, approved March 5, 1875.

Also, a bill to change the county site of Fannin county from Morganton to Blue Ridge, and for other purposes.

The bill of the Senate to amend paragraph 1, section 3 of article 8 of the Constitution, and for other purposes, was taken up for a third reading and laid on the table.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to repeal the county court act as it applies to the county of Glynn.

Also, a bill to make the owners of dead animals bury them.

Also, a bill establishing a new charter for the city of Covington.

The bill of the Senate to amend section 3554 of the Code of Georgia of 1882, and for other purposes, which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion, laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 3554 of the Code of Georgia of 1882, etc.

The report was disagreed to and the bill was lost.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended :

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Kingston, and for other purposes.

They direct me to report the following House bills, with recommendation that the same do pass, the proof being correct :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Douglas, in the county of Coffee, to define the corporate limits of said town, to provide for the election of mayor and aldermen for the government thereof, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the mayor and council of the town of Decatur, in the county of DeKalb, to provide for the registration and

license of every trade, business, calling, avocation, or profession prosecuted and carried on within the incorporate limits of said town.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to regulate and fix the office hours of the Treasurer of Fulton county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act approved February 17, 1877, to authorize the ordinary of Spalding county to keep his office and records and hold court at a place other than the court house.

Also, a bill to provide for the appointment of a clerk of the county court of Effingham county.

The House has also adopted the following resolution of the House, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution condemning any movement looking to a union of church and state.

Also, a bill to authorize the town council of Hogansville to issue bonds for public school purposes.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Battle Hill, and for other purposes.

The bill of the Senate to require the judges of the superior courts to select and appoint an official organ in the

several counties, and for other purposes, which was taken up for a third reading, was laid on the table.

The bill of the House to repeal an act approved February 7, 1877, to authorize the ordinary of Spalding county to keep his office and records and hold his courts at a place other than at the court house of said county, was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the Senate to transfer the county of Campbell from the Coweta circuit, which was taken up for a third reading, was, after agreeing to the report thereon and the third reading of the bill, on motion, laid on the table.

The bill of the Senate to repeal paragraphs 8 and 9 of section 1 of article 5 of the Constitution, etc., which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion, laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to make more specific the crime of barratry in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended—yeas 27, nays 0.

The following message was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his private Secretary, Mr. Calloway :

*Mr President :*

The Governor has approved the following acts and resolutions of the General Assembly, to wit :

An act to authorize the city council of Augusta to in-

crease its water supply by constructing waterworks beyond the corporate limits of the city of Augusta, etc.

Also, an act to amend an act of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved October 22, 1887, by striking the word "fishing" from the first line of the title of said act, and to repeal the second section of said act, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Madison, approved October 6, 1891.

Also, an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Cartersville, approved August 27, 1872.

Also, a resolution authorizing and directing the Comptroller-General to reopen the matter of assessments of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Banks on the bill of the Senate to require banks chartered under the laws of this State, where the capital stock is impaired, to make the same good by transfer from the surplus or undivided profits thereof to the capital stock, or if there is no surplus or undivided profits, or not enough to make good the capital stock, then by an assessment upon the stockholders, and for other purposes.

Mr. Long proposed to amend the report of the committee as follows :

SECTION 3. *Be it further enacted by the authority of the same,* That whenever the bank examiner finds that a bank chartered by the laws of this State is not in a solvent condition, he shall immediately report the condition of the bank to the Governor, and it shall be the duty of the Governor to place said bank in the hands of some competent person, who shall give bond in an amount to be fixed by the Governor for the faithful discharge of his duties, and

said person so appointed shall immediately take charge of the business of said bank, collecting its assets and paying of the liabilities under such rules as the Governor may make, as if said person so appointed had been appointed by the court as the receiver of such corporation.

The amendment of Mr. Long was adopted.

The report as amended was agreed to.

The action of the Senate on this bill was reconsidered, when, on motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second District, the amendment of Mr. Long was amended as follows:

Strike the words in parenthesis and insert in lieu thereof the words, "to direct the Attorney-General to institute proceedings at once to put the bank in the hands of." Strike "Governor," in fifth line, and insert "court."

The report as amended was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, as amended—yeas 25, nays 0.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that it do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Macon, to change the term of mayor, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Boyd, chairman of the Temperance Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of Roberta, so as to prohibit the sale of any brandy, whisky, rum, gin, wine, beer, or any intoxicating liquors of any kind, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

W G. BOYD, Chairman.

The bill of the House to authorize the mayor and aldermen of Savannah to condemn property for widening, extending, or straightening streets, which was taken up for a third reading, was laid on the table.

The bill of the Senate to authorize county authorities in counties where there are no county or municipal chain-gangs to hire misdemeanor convicts to private persons, which was taken up for a third reading under report of the General Judiciary Committee, was amended, on motion of Mr. Munro, as follows :

Amend section 2, in the last line, by striking out the following words, to wit : "to be appropriated to the payment of insolvent costs."

The report as amended was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and pending the question of its passage as amended, was, on motion of Mr. Munro, laid on the table.



Mr. Brown introduced a joint resolution memorializing Congress to appropriate public lands, etc., to the purposes of education, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on the State of the Republic.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Johnson, McGregor, and Bush.

Mr. Sheppard introduced a resolution, which was agreed to, inviting the Hon. R. M. Martin to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act approved October 15, 1891, to authorize the judge in the superior court in any case of seduction or divorce, or other case where the evidence is vulgar or obscene, to hear and try the case after clearing the court of all or any portion of the audience, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

At the hour of 12 o'clock, meridian, the President announced that the time had arrived for the two Houses to meet in joint session.

The members of the Senate, preceded by the President and Secretary, repaired to the Hall of Representatives, where, being announced by the Doorkeeper, they were received by the House of Representatives standing.

The President took the chair and called the General Assembly to order.

The Secretary, by direction of the President, read the joint resolution convening the General Assembly in joint

session, which was a resolution inviting the Hon. S. D. Bradwell to address the General Assembly in regard to the State Normal School at Athens.

The Hon. S. D. Bradwell, being introduced, addressed the General Assembly. At the close of his address, the joint session was, on motion, dissolved.

The Senate returned to its chamber, and being called to order by the President, resumed the regular business of the day.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to amend an act to incorporate the town of Kingston, in Bartow county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Macon, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the town of Roberta, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, yeas 24, nays 2.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roaps and revenues for the county of Webster.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend an act approved October 20, 1889, incorporating the town of Meigs, in Thomas county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act approved December 4, 1893, which authorizes the board of commissioners of Washington, Georgia, to issue and sell bonds for school purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Banks on the bill of the House to amend an act to incorporate the Monroe Banking, Loan and Guarantee Company.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed, yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to create the office of commissioner of public works in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

# SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Tuesday, December 3, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President *pro tem.*, Mr. Starr, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Lewis.	Storey,
Broughton,	Long,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Little,	Snead,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Brand,	McMillan,	Starr,
Brown,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Williams,
Johnson,	Roberts,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Sheppard,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	McGregor,	Morton.
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Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth District, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Cairo, in the county of Thomas.

Also, a bill to add the city of Blackshear to the list of State depositories.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Camilla, so as to provide for a dispensary for said town.

The House has concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit ;

A resolution reopening the assessment of the Savannah street railroad.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendment to the following bill of the House, to wit :

A bill to create a board of education for the town of Lithonia, and to prescribe its power and duties, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, the action of the Senate in passing the bill of the Senate to amend the charter of the city of Macon, and for other purposes, was reconsidered.

This bill was then taken up and put upon its passage, when he offered the following amendments, which were adopted, to wit :

On motion of Mr. Long, the bill was amended as follows :

1st. By adopting the amendments spread on the Journal of yesterday ; and 2d. To amend section 3 by striking out the word "Governor," in the tenth line, and substituting the word "court." 3d. Also, by striking out all of the tenth and eleventh lines, beginning with the word "as."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 34, nays 0.

Mr. Cumming, acting chairman of the Corporation Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report back, with a recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit :

House bill No. 380, by Mr. Johnson of Hall, to provide for the change of the names and principal officer, of certain corporations.

Also, House bill No. 363, by Mr. Reese of Floyd, to repeal the act incorporating the village of Haynie, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that the same do pass. Proofs have been examined and found correct.

BRYAN CUMMING, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Lewis submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration a bill, No. 241, to be entitled an act to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad to confer certain powers, etc., and recommend that it do pass as amended.

Amend by adding the following to section 2 of the bill, to come in at the end thereof:

“Also, the first section of the act approved December 13, 1894, amending the said twenty-seventh section of said charter, providing for the appointment of standing committees and the filling of vacancies, etc., therein, shall be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:”

“The permanent or standing committees of council shall be designated by the mayor at the first regular meeting after the organization of council in each year, or as soon thereafter as practicable. All vacancies in committees shall be filled by the mayor.

“Resignations of any members of council, either from the standing committees or from the council itself, and all resignations of the members of any of the boards of the city, shall be addressed to the mayor of the city and disposed of by him. The resignation of the mayor shall be addressed to the council.”

Also, the twenty-second section of said charter, which prescribes the duties of the mayor, etc., as aforesaid, shall be and the same is hereby further amended by striking from the sixteenth and seventeenth lines thereof the words, “but shall not preside over the same.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 34, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Long, the action of the Senate on yesterday in passing the bill of the Senate as amended, to wit: a bill to require banks chartered under the laws of this State to make good the impaired value of the capital stock, etc., was reconsidered and taken up upon its passage.

Also, a bill, No. 259, to be entitled an act to provide for a fixed compensation for insurance commissioner, and recommend it do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

C. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following Senate bills and direct me to report the same properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 15, 1891, to authorize the judge in superior courts of this State to clear the court room in cases of seduction, divorce suits, or other case where the evidence is vulgar or obscene.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to make more specific the crime of barratry in this State, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the town of Kingston, in Bartow county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following Senate bills and direct me to report the same prop-



erly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend article 7, section 2, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, so as to enlarge the exemptions from taxation touching all buildings erected for and used as a college, incorporated academy, or other seminary of learning, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4310 of the Code, so as to permit the county authorities in this State to hire misdemeanor convicts to private persons.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the protection of the cemetery reserve in the city of Macon, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize any written instrument to be admitted in evidence when the subscribing witnesses are dead, insane, incompetent, inaccessible, or being produced do not recollect the transaction, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 3837 of the Code of 1882, relating to cases in which the subscribing witnesses must be produced with certain stated exceptions, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Twiggs county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to carry into effect article 3, section 7, paragraph 18 of the Constitution.

Also, a resolution asking an appropriation from the government for a roadway from Atlanta to McPherson Barracks, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Wilson, chairman *pro tem.* of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with a recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 239, by Senator Starr of the Forty-third, to be entitled an act for the levy and sale of property when the defendant in *fi. fa.* has an interest, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 247, by Senator Wilcox of the Fifteenth, to be entitled an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Irwin, etc.

Also, Senate bill No. 269, by Senator Wilson of the Fifth, to be entitled an act to amend section 926 of the Code, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended, to wit :

House bill No. 563, by Mr. Barley of Spalding, to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved February 17, 1877, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute, to wit :

Senate bill No. 235, by Senator Venable of the Thirty-fifth, to be entitled an act to amend an act approved December 18, 1893, amending section 1979 of the Code, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they

direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be read a second time and recommitted, to wit :

Senate bill No. 265, by Senator Long of the Thirtieth, to be entitled an act to permit the State as the owner of the Northeastern Railroad to be sued, etc.

Also, House bill No. 485, by Mr. Fleming of Richmond, to be entitled an act to amend the Constitution of the State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, section 2, to be known as paragraph 8, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

LEON A. WILSON, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county in the State of Georgia, except certain counties therein mentioned, approved January 19, 1872, so far as the same applies to the county of Coffee.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Coffee in and for the county of Coffee, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to prohibit hunting with dogs and guns and fishing on the lands of others in the county of Appling.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Brunswick in and for the county of Glynn.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Broughton, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration House bill No. 530, to repeal an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Berrien county, and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass.

Also, a bill, by Senator McGarrity of the Thirty-eighth district, to be entitled an act to amend an act regulating sales of fertilizers in this State, to fix a method for determining the value of the same, approved December 27, 1890, by amending section 5 thereof, so as to require the ordinary, after he has received the analysis from the State chemist on any sample he has sent said chemist, to at once send the State chemist the names and brands of all samples thus sent, and for other purposes, and they instruct me to report the same back, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Also, a bill, by Senator McGarrity of the Thirty-eighth district, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act or general law as to inspection, analysis, and sale of fertilizers, approved October 19, 1891. Section 1 shall be so amended that no manufacturers of, or dealers in, commercial fertilizers or chemicals shall be allowed to sell but one brand or name from the same formula and same analysis, and they instruct me to report the same back, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommended.

Also, a bill, by Senator Sheppard of the Second district, to be entitled an act to regulate hunting and fishing in this State, to provide for posting lands, to prescribe a punishment for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for

other purposes, and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 2 of an act to fix the salary of the State librarian and assistant librarian, approved October 29, 1889.

The report was favorable to the passage of the bill.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, moved to amend the report by striking out from the fourth line of section 1 the words "eight hundred," and the words "one thousand" from the sixth line, and inserting in lieu of the last words the words "six hundred."

On this question the yeas and nays were required and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brown,	Keen,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harrison,	McGarritty,	Upchurch.
Johnson,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Storey,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Snead,
Brand,	Monro,	Starr,
Cumming,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wade,
Lewis,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Long,	Ryals,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Sanford,	Mr. President.
Craigo,		

Yeas 10. Nays 30. Not voting 4.

So the amendment was not adopted.

The question recurred on the passage of the bill, and the yeas and nays thereon were recorded.

The bill was read the third time.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lumpkin,	Starr,
Bussey,	Mercer,	Wilson,
Boyd,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Brand,	Norman,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Ryals,	Whitley,
Lewis,	Roberts,	Williams,
Long,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Little,	Snead,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Johnson,	McClure,
Brown,	Keen,	Osborne,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Storey,
Harris of the 3d,	McGregor,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harrison,	McGarrity,	Upchurch.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Craigo,	Sanford.
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Yeas 23. Nays 18. Not voting 3.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consid-

ration the following House bills, which they direct me to report back, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, the proof being correct.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Alto, in the counties of Banks and Habersham.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of Waynesboro.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education; submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit :

A bill to create a commission to secure manuscript of text-books to be used in the common schools, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for three conductors to conduct the teachers' county institutes in the State of Georgia, and for other purposes, which they recommend the introducer have leave to withdraw.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

Mr. Long, by general consent, introduced a bill which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads, to wit :

A bill to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad, under certain conditions therein named, and for other purposes.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, offered a resolution for the relief of the South Brunswick Railroad Company, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The bill of the Senate to regulate hunting and fishing in this State, etc., and for other purposes, which was taken up for a third reading, was, on motion, laid on the table, the report of the committee having been agreed to and the bill read the third time.

Mr. Roberts introduced a bill to amend an act, approved December 15, 1893, permitting Confederate soldiers to peddle without license, etc., which was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee.

By resolution of Mr. Lumpkin, Captain J. T. Morton was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

By resolution of Mr. Brown, the Hon. B. F. Miller of South Carolina, was tendered a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the Senate to prohibit any non-resident person or persons from camp-hunting in the county of Dade, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to make the owners of dead animals bury them.



The committee reported in favor of the passage with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to repeal an act to create a county court in each county in the State, etc., so far as the same applies to the county of Glynn.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the House to prohibit the sale of spirituous, alcoholic, malt, and intoxicating liquors, etc., in the town of Desoto, in Sumter county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Young Harris, in Towns county, Georgia.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to fix permanently the

title and status of the piece of ground on the southeast corner of South Broad and Abercorn streets in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to provide a system of public schools for the town of Oxford, in the county of Newton.

The report was agreed to.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to amend an act to authorize the town of Hongansville, in Troup county, to organize and maintain a public school system, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 34 nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of Senate to regulate hunting and fishing in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Harris of the Third district, to wit: Amend by adding at the last of section 2 the following proviso: "that this act shall not apply to counties having local legislation upon the subject of hunting and fishing."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage as amended, the ayes and nays were required and recorded.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lumpkin,	Storey,
Broughton,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Mercer,	Snead,
Cumming,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Craig,	Morton,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Keen,	McClure,	Whitley,
Lewis,	Ryals,	Williams.
Long,	Sheppard,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Harris of the 22d,	Norman,
Brand,	Harrison,	Starr,
Brown,	Johnson,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Little,	Wade.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Osborne,	Upchurch.
McGregor,	Roberts,	Mr. President.

Ayes 26. Nays 12. Not voting 6.

So the bill passed as amended—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to authorize county authorities in whose counties there are no municipal or county chain-gangs to hire misdemeanor convicts to private persons.

The report recommended its passage with certain amendments, which were adopted.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Monro, by adding at the end of section 2 the following: provided, that no county shall lease its convicts to more than two lessees, and they be worked in no more than two gangs.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, as amended, the ayes and nays were required and recorded.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Little,	Storey,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Brand,	Mercer,	Snead,
Brown,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Craig,	Morton,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wade,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams.
Keen,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Cumming,	Lumpkin,	Tatum.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Wilson,	Mr. President.
McGregor,		

Ayes 37 Nays 3. Not voting 4.

So the bill was passed by constitutional majority.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to repeal an act approved November 25, 1893, incorporating the village of Haynie.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 31, nays 0.

The bill of the Senate to require judges of the superior courts to appoint an official organ in the several counties, etc., was taken up for a third reading, and on motion of Mr. Mercer, indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, offered a resolution fixing the hour of 9 o'clock A. M. for the meeting of the Senate each day, which was taken up and lost.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend section 926 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to provide for the levy and sale of property when the defendant in *fi. fa.* has an interest or equity therein but does not hold the legal title thereto, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act regulating the sales of fertilizers in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Irwin, and for other purposes.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to permit the State, as owner of the Northeastern Railroad, to be sued in certain cases.

Also, a bill to amend an act as to the inspection, sale, and analysis of fertilizers in this State.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act ap-

proved December 18, 1893, amending section 1979 of the Code, which provides a lien in favor of mechanics and material men, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of the passage by substitute, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 28, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, all bills favorably reported, which were tabled, were ordered to be placed in their proper order on the Senate calendar.

The bills of the Senate, Nos. 246, 247, and 248, were ordered printed, fifty copies of each.

The Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock P. M.

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8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the acting President *pro tem.*, Mr. Osborne, in the chair.

The roll-call was dispensed with.

The acting President *pro tem.* announced that the time had arrived for the General Assembly to meet in joint session, whereupon the Senate in a body, preceded by the acting President *pro tem.* and Secretary, repaired to the Representative Hall, where, being announced by the door-keeper, they were received by the House of Representatives standing.

The acting President *pro tem.* took the chair and called the General Assembly to order.

The Secretary then read the joint resolution under which the joint session was convened, viz.:

A resolution inviting the Hon. Hoke Smith to address the General Assembly on the political issues of the day.

The Hon. Hoke Smith was then introduced by the acting President *pro tem.*, Mr. Osborne, and proceeded to address the General Assembly.

At the close of his address the joint session was dissolved, and the Senate, having returned to its chamber, was called to order, and, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, December 4, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McGregor,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Cumming,	Monro,	Tatum,
Craig,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wade,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams,
Keen,	Roberts,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Bush,	Little.
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Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct.

It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, moved a reconsideration of the action in passing the bill of the Senate to amend the act to fix the salaries of the State librarian and assistant librarian, and for other purposes.

On the question of reconsideration, the yeas and nays were required and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brown,	Johnson,	Norman,
Harris of the 3d,	Keen,	Storey,
Harris of the 12th,	• McGregor,	Tatum,
Harrison,	McGarrity,	Upchurch.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Mercer,	Snead,
Bussey,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Boyd,	Morton,	Starr,
Brand,	McClure,	Wilson,
Lewis,	Ryals,	Wade,
Long,	Roberts,	Whitley,
Lumpkin,	Sanford,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Harris of the 22d,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Little,	Wilcox,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Mr. President.
Craig,	Osborne,	

Yeas 12. Nays 21. Not voting 11.

So the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

Mr. Lumpkin moved a reconsideration of the Senate's action in passing the bill of the Senate to regulate hunting and fishing in the State, etc., and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Lumpkin, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Starr,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Brand,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Brown,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Roberts,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Storey,	Wade.
Johnson,		



Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Monro,	Sanford,
Craig,	Morton,	Snead,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarritty,	Sharpe,
Keen,	Norman,	Whitley.
Lewis,	Sheppard,	Williams.
McMillan,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,
Bush,	Long,	Ryals,
Cumming,	Little,	Mr. President.

Yeas 19. Nays 16. Not voting 9.

So the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to amend section 1675(a) of the Code of 1882, prohibiting foreign corporations from owning more than 5,000 acres of land.

The Senate went into executive session, and returned again to open session.

The following message was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Callaway, his private Secretary :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing :

Mr. Broughton submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration a bill, by Senator McGarrity of the Thirty-eighth district, to be entitled an act, a general law as to inspection, analysis, and sale of fertilizers, approved October 19, 1891. Section 1 shall be so amended that no manufacturers of, or dealers in, commercial fertilizers or chemicals shall be allowed to sell but one brand or name from the same formula and same guaranteed analysis, and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

The following bills of the Senate, which were taken up for a third reading, were laid on the table, to wit:

A bill to make it unlawful to fish with hook and line, net, trap, or seine in any of the waters in this State on the Sabbath day.

Also, a bill to amend paragraph 1, section 3 of article 8 of the Constitution, and for other purposes.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to authorize females to hold certain civil offices and perform certain civil functions in this State.

The report of the majority of the committee was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and, on motion of Mr. Roberts, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brand,  
Craig,  
Long,

Mercer,  
Norman,

Roberts,  
Snead.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Keen,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Lewis,	Storey,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Monro,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Upchurch.
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Wade,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Whitley.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	McGregor,	Williams,
Cumming,	Wilson,	Mr. President.
Little,		

Yeas 7    Nays 30.    Not voting 7

So the bill, not having a constitutional majority, was lost.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on the General Judiciary on the bill of the Senate to provide a board of equalization of real and personal property subject to taxation in this State.

Mr. Wilson moved to recommit the bill.

On this question Mr. Roberts demanded the yeas and nays, which were recorded.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harrison,	Upchurch,
Bussey,	Lewis,	Wilson,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Wade,
Harris of the 3d,	Roberts,	Whitley.
Harris of the 22d,	Sanford,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Storey,
Brand,	McGregor	Snead,
Brown,	Monro,	Sharpe,

Craiggo,	Morton,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Johnson,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Keen,	Norman,	Williams.
Long,	Ryals,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Little,		

Yeas 14. Nays 26. Not voting 4.

So the motion to recommit the bill did not prevail.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, moved that the bill be tabled, and on this motion Mr. Roberts required the yeas and nays to be recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harrison,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lewis,	Starr,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Upchurch,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Wade,
Harris of the 12th,	Roberts,	Whitley.
Harris of the 22d,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	McGregor,	Sheppard,
Boyd,	Monro,	Storey,
Brown,	Morton,	Snead,
Craiggo,	McGarrity,	Sharpe,
Johnson,	McClure,	Tatum,
Keen,	Norman,	Wilcox,
Long,	Ryals,	Williams.
McMillan,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Little,	Mr. President.
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Yeas 19. Nays 22. Not voting 3.

So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

Mr. Broughton moved to indefinitely postpone the bill on the table, and the yeas and nays were required and recorded thereon.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wade,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley.
Keen,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Long,	Storey,
Brand,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Craig,	Norman,	Wilson,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Sanford,	Mr. President.
Little,		

Yeas 28. Nays 12. Not voting 4.

So the motion to indefinitely postpone the bill prevailed.

Mr. Mercer, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have had under examination the following Senate bills, which they direct me to report properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House :

A bill to amend the second section of an act entitled an act to fix the salary of the State librarian and assistant librarian, approved October 29, 1889.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Macon, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 1979 of the Code of 1882 relating to liens of mechanics and material men, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to prohibit any non-resident person or persons from camp-hunting in the county of Dade, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities in whose counties there are no municipal or county chain-gangs, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to require banks chartered under the laws of this State, where the capital stock is impaired, to make the same good by transfer, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER, Chairman *pro tem*.

Mr. Osborne, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bill of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 271, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlanta Railroad under certain conditions therein named, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that the author be allowed to withdraw same, to wit :

Senate bill No. 255, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick, LaGrange and Northwestern Railroad, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 108, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2084 of the Code.

Senate bill No. 212, a bill to be entitled an act to prevent dealing in railroad tickets by other than authorized agent of railroad corporations.

W W OSBORNE, Chairman.

Senator Wilson, chairman *pro tem.* of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 270, by Senator Harris of the Third, to be entitled an act to amend an act, approved December 20, 1893, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

LEON A. WILSON, Chairman *pro tem.*

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report do pass :

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Catoosa, approved March 5, 1875, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide compensation for the members of the board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Catoosa county and for the clerk, approved December 9, 1893, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following House bills, and direct me to report them back, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

A bill to provide for the removal of all obstructions from the running streams of Forsyth county.

Also, a bill to authorize and provide for the payment of the insolvent criminal costs of the clerk of the superior court of Macon county in certain cases.

Also, a bill to establish a new charter for the town of Calhoun, in Gordon county.

The committee also recommend that the following bill of the Senate do pass by substitute, to wit :

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act, approved December 30, 1890.

The committee also recommend that the following Senate bill be read the second time and recommitted to the Special Judiciary Committee, to wit :

A bill to abolish the city court of Laurens county and transfer all civil and criminal cases now pending in said court to proper courts.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.



Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Enrollment have had under consideration the following resolution, which they find properly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Clerk of the Senate :

A resolution reopening assessment Savannah Street Railroad.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to authorize the State School Commissioner to grant license to the graduates of the Georgia State Industrial College for Colored Youths, to teach common schools among the colored people of this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

The following message was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his private Secretary, Mr. Callaway :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit :

By Mr. Osborne—

A bill to authorize banking corporations to change the face value of their stock without amending their charter.

Referred to the Committee on Banks.

Also, by Mr. Osborne—

A bill to provide for the uniform amendment of bank charters.

Referred to the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Monro—

A bill to amend an act, approved November 12, 1889, to declare the councilmen and aldermen of cities and towns ineligible during their terms of office to any other municipal office, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Brown—

A bill to prohibit the publication, sale, and circulation of any book, newspapers, periodicals, or picture of any obscene, immoral, or corrupting character, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Boyd—

A bill to provide for a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Lempkin, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend section 3554

of the Code of 1882, so as to provide that certain per cent. of wages shall not be exempt from process of garnishment.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, moved to postpone the bill indefinitely, and on this motion Mr. Brand required the yeas and nays to be recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Osborne,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Ryals,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Story,
Brown,	Mercer,	Sanford,
Harris of the 22d,	McGregor,	Starr,
Harrison,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Keen,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Lewis,	McClure,	Williams.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Harris of the 12th,	Roberts,
Brand,	Johnson,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	Norman,	Wilson.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Cumming,	Sheppard,	Whitley,
Craig,	Snead,	Mr. President.
Little,	Tatum,	

Yeas 24. Nays 9. Not voting 11.

So the motion to postpone indefinitely prevailed.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. Wilson, adjourned until 8 o'clock P. M.

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8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President *pro tem.* presiding.

The call of the roll was, on motion, dispensed with.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit :

A bill to authorize the town council of Hogansville to issue bonds, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Camilla.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Also, a bill to regulate and fix the office hours of the treasurer of Fulton county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Cairo.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to provide for the appointment of a clerk of the county court of Effingham county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend section 943(a) of the Code.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Battle Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend section 1675(n) of the Code, etc.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration Senate bill No. 262, by Senator Long of the Thirtieth district, to wit:

To be entitled an act to amend an act to regulate the business of insurance brokers, etc., which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute.

They have also had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

Senate bill No. 275, by Senator Monroe of the Twenty-fourth district.

Also, House bill No. 387, by Mr. Hodges of Bibb.

Also, House bill No. 443, by Mr. Fouché of Floyd.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman, per WILSON.

The resolution of the House condemning any movement looking to a union of church and State was read the first time and referred to the Committee on the State of the Republic.

The bill of the Senate to abolish the city court of Laurens county was read the second time and recommitted.

The bill of the Senate to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad, under certain conditions therein named, was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to fix and define liabilities of receivers, trustees, assignees, and others operating railroads in this State.

Also, a bill to amend the constitution of this State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, section 2, to be known as paragraph 8(a), and for other purposes.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third time, to wit :

A bill to define the duties and liabilities and obligations of receivers, trustees, etc., of corporations, etc., and for other purposes. This bill was recommitted.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Coffee county.

Also, a bill to establish a new charter for the town of Calhoun, Gordon county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act approved February 17, 1877, to authorize the ordinary of Spalding county to keep his office and records and hold his courts at a place other than at the courthouse.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of the town of Decatur to register and license every trade and business avocation and profession prosecuted in said town, etc.

Also, a bill to repeal an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Berrien county.

Also, a bill to authorize and provide for the payment of insolvent criminal costs of the clerk of the superior court of Marion county in certain cases.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Douglas, in Coffee county.

Also, a bill to repeal the county court act so far as the same applies to Coffee county.

Also, a bill to provide for a change of names and principal officers of banking, railroad, insurance, express, telegraph, canal, and navigation companies.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Dawson, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to establish the city court of Brunswick in and for the county of Glynn, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the house for the relief of Willis Fields of Henry county.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in—yeas 25, nays 1.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to repeal an act approved December 26, 1888, to require any corporation or person doing business in this State to redeem in cash any scrip, checks, or other written evidence of indebtedness for wages of laborers.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. McGarrity demanded the yeas and nays, which were recorded:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Mercer,	Upchurch,
Brand,	Norman,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	Tatum,	Williams,
McMillan,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Keen,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Brown,	McGregor,	Snead,
Harris of the 3d,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Harrison,	McGarrity,	Wilson.
Johnson,	Ryals,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Long,	Story,
Bush,	Little,	Starr,
Cumming,	Morton,	Wade,
Craig,	McClure,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Lewis,	Sheppard,	

Yeas 10. Nays 17 Not voting 17

So the bill was lost.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration Senate bills Nos. 89 and 272, and direct me to report the same back, with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The following bill and resolution of the Senate were read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to amend an act approved December 15, 1893, permitting Confederate soldiers to peddle without license, etc.



Also, a resolution for the relief of the South Brunswick Railway Company.

By resolution of Mr. Sheppard, the Hon. John J. Coyle was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

By resolution of Mr. Wilcox, the Hon. J. D. McLeod was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to authorize justices of the peace and notaries public to preside in districts other than those to which they were elected or appointed.

The report, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was amended, on motion of Mr. Brand, by inserting between the word "districts" and the word "other," in the sixth line of section 1, the words "of their own county."

The report was agreed to as amended.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House for the relief of the North Highland Railroad Company.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to prohibit hunting with dogs and guns and fishing on the lands of others in the county of Appling, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to extend the corporate limits of the city of Waynesboro.

Proof of legal notice was given.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill to provide for removal of all obstructions from the running streams of Forsyth county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House relieving the Brunswick State Bank and its securities from payment of interest on *fi. fa.*

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in—yeas 26, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill of the Senate, adversely reported, to abolish the county court of Jackson county was placed on the calendar.

The Senate adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Thursday, December 5, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bussey,	Little,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Starr,
Craig,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Norman,	Wade,
Johnson,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Keen,	Ryals,	Williams,
		Mr. President.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Morton,	Roberts,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Upchurch.

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Tatum, the action of the Senate in refusing to pass the bill of the Senate to repeal an act, approved December 26, 1888, to require any corporation or person doing business in this State to redeem in cash any script or other written evidence of indebtedness for wages of laborers, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Sheppard, the Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the reconsidered bill of the Senate to regulate hunting and fishing in this

State, etc., and for other purposes ; the committee reported in favor of its passage with the amendments, which were adopted.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, moved to amend by adding at the last of section 2 the following proviso : providing that this act shall not apply to counties having local legislation upon the subject of hunting and fishing.

Mr. Sheppard moved to amend the proposed amendment of Mr. Harris by striking out the whole of said amendment and adding the following as a substitute therefor, to wit :

Provided, however, that the provisions of this act shall only apply to those counties where the same shall be adopted by the grand jury thereof.

This amendment was adopted.

The report was further amended, on motion of Mr. Starr, as follows :

Amend by striking all of section 2 after the word "effect" in the ninth line, and insert in lieu thereof the following : No person shall be tried or punished under the provisions of this act, except upon presentment by the grand jury and true bill found.

The report was further amended by striking out the word "written" wherever the same occurs.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were demanded and recorded, and pending the announcement of the result the bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Sheppard.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has adopted the following resolution, to wit :

A resolution inviting the Hon. Fleming G. duBignon to address the General Assembly in joint session on Tuesday, December 10th, at 8 P. M.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they direct me to report properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the justices of the peace and notaries public of this State to preside in districts other than those to which they were elected or appointed.

Respectfully submitted.

T R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Senator Boyd, chairman of Temperance Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

• The Temperance Committee have had under consideration House bill No. 404, by Mr. Bush of Mitchell, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, proofs correct.

They have also considered Senate bill No. 221, by Senator McGarrity of the Thirty-eighth district, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted.

They have also considered Senate bill No. 273, by Senator Brown of the Thirty-ninth district, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the introducer be allowed to withdraw same.

Respectfully submitted.

M. G. BOYD, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report back, with recommendation that they do pass.

A bill to provide for a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Lumpkin, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

A bill to create a board of commissioners of water for the city of Savannah.

A bill to change the time of holding the spring term of Dawson superior court, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. C. H. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report back to be read second time and recommitted.

A bill to incorporate the town of Braswell, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the act of Troup county so as to elect commissioners at general election.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Battle Hill.

The committee also recommend that the following House bill do pass.

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Cairo in the county of Thomas.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to establish a city court for Clarke county.

Also, a bill to amend an act entitled an act to establish city courts in counties having a population of 15,000 or more.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Shellman.

Also, a bill to amend the various acts chartering the city of Conyers.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town of Duluth.

Also, a bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of liquors in Trion Factory, providing that same does not apply to domestic wines.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the superior court of Pulaski county.

Also, a bill to fix the compensation of the bailiffs of the second division of the city court of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in the town of Quitman, approved December 26, 1888.

Also, a bill to amend the act incorporating the Title Guarantee and Loan Company of Savannah.

Also, a bill to remove obstructions from the running streams of Madison county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to establish new terms and to regulate the practice in the city court of Richmond county.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Locust Grove, in the county of Henry.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the superior courts in the Rome judicial circuit.

Also a bill to establish a board of road commissioners of Bryan county

The Senate has also adopted the following resolutions of the House, to wit:

A resolution authorizing the Treasurer of this State to transfer on the books of his office from the military fund of 1894 to the military fund of 1895 the unexpended balance of 1894, amounting to the sum of \$623.11.

Also, a resolution for the relief of John M. Williams of Catoosa county.

Also, a resolution for the Brunswick Street Railroad Company and its successors.

The House has also passed the following bill of the Senate by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:



A bill to amend the charter of the Macon Savings Bank to authorize the directors to reduce the capital stock of the same.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the Senate to amend sections 1 and 2 of an act entitled an act to amend an act approved December 30, 1890, and for other purposes.

This bill was, on motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Lewis, chairman Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration No. 454, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 943(a) of the Code of 1882, providing for the selection of banks in certain cities for State depositories, so as to add the city of Blackshire, Pierce county, Ga.

The committee recommend it be read the second time and recommitted.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Osborne, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bills of the Senate, which they report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do not pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 266, a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the movement of cars, trains, and traffic between lines connecting within this State, to prevent any discrimination in the charges or facilities offered to such connecting lines,

to provide for the issuance and recognition of through bills of lading by all lines doing business in this State, and to prevent the diversion of freight, to provide for the penalties for the violation of this act, and to constitute the same a misdemeanor and provide punishment therefor.

Also, Senate bill No. 267, a bill to be entitled an act to prevent all discrimination, and to provide for equal facilities and advantages being afforded by all railroad companies doing business in this State to all railroad companies, within or without the State, with which they immediately or mediately connect, to prevent the violation thereof, and punish the same.

Also, Senate bill No. 268, a bill to be entitled an act to require the several railroad companies in this State to accept and haul upon equal terms from railroads with which they connect, sleeping-cars and passenger coaches destined to points on or beyond the lines of such railroads, and to provide penalties for a refusal to do so, and punish persons violating this act.

Respectfully submitted.

W W OSBORNE, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to repeal paragraphs 8 and 9 of section 1 of article 5 of the Constitution of Georgia, which refers to the filling of vacancies and unexpired terms in the office of Governor, and substitute in lieu thereof two paragraphs to be known as 8 and 9 of said section, providing for a lieutenant-governor and prescribing his duties, and also for the filling of vacancies in the office of Governor in certain contingencies named therein.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and, on the question of its passage as amended, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Sanford,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	Monro,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Craig,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Norman,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	Ryals,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Sheppard,	Whitley,
Keen,	Storey,	Williams.
Lewis,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

McGregor.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Johnson,	Osborne,
Boyd,	Little,	Roberts,
Harrison,	McGarrity,	Mr. President.

Yeas 34. Nays 1. Not voting 9.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

The bill of the Senate to transfer the county of Campbell from the Coweta circuit was taken up and laid on the table.

The Senate took from the table and took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend sections 1 and 2 of an act to amend an act approved December 30, 1890, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute.

On motion of Mr. Tatum, the title was amended by striking out from the same all after the word “amend” in

the fifth line and adding the following: "the laws of the State in reference to the inspection of illuminating oils, providing the manner and amount of their compensation, revising the schedule of fees now required by law for the inspection of oils, and for other purposes, approved December 30, 1890.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and, on the question of its passage as amended, the yeas and nays were demanded and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Boyd,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Brand,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Starr,
Johnson,	McClure,	Tatum,
Keen,	Norman,	Upchurch,
Lewis,	Ryals,	Wilson,
Long,	Sheppard,	Wilcox,
Little,	Storey,	Whitley.
Lumpkin,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,
Bussey.	Harrison,	Roberts,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Wade.
Harris of the 3d,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Craig,	Snead,
Bush,	McGregor,	Mr. President.
Brown,	McGarrity,	

Yeas 26. Nays 10. Not voting 8.

So the bill was passed, as amended, by constitutional majority.

Mr. Keen, by general consent, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Corporations, to wit:

A bill to revise the charter of the town of Bruton, and for other purposes.

The bill of the Senate to amend section 3554 of the Code, etc., and for other purposes, was, on motion of Mr. Munro, indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill, No. 370, to authorize the town council of Hogansville to issue bonds, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that they do pass :

A bill to fix the time and manner of electing the mayor and council of the town of Decatur, in the county of DeKalb.

A bill to repeal so much of the act creating a board of commissioners for the county of DeKalb as limits the compensation of the clerk thereof, and for other purposes.

A bill to limit the jurisdiction of the city court in civil cases to amounts exceeding one hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration House bill No. 485, by Mr. Fleming of Richmond, to be entitled an act to amend the Constitution of the State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, section 2, to be known as paragraph 8, etc., and they direct me to report the same to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the Senate took up the bill of the Senate to abolish the city court of Jackson county, which was adversely reported.

Mr. Johnson moved to disagree to the adverse report.

Mr. Wilson called for the previous question, which was sustained, and the main question was submitted to the Senate, to wit :

Shall the report of the committee, which was adverse, be disagreed to ?

On this question Mr. McGregor demanded the yeas and nays, which were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Johnson,  
Keen,

McGregor,  
Snead,

Sharpe.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Norman,
Broughton,	Long,	Ryals,
Bussey,	Little,	Roberts,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Storey,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Mercer,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Morton,	Whitley.
Harrison,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	McClure,	Tatum,
Boyd,	Osborne,	Upchurch,
Brown,	Sheppard,	Williams,
Craig,	Sanford,	Mr. President.
McGarrity,	Starr.	

Yeas 5. Nays 25. Not voting 14.

So the motion to disagree to the report of the committee did not prevail.

The report was then agreed to, and being adverse, the bill was lost.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for the levy and sale of property when the defendant in *fi. fa.* has an interest or equity therein, but does not hold the legal title thereto, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

Mr. Long called for the previous question, which was sustained, and the main question was put, viz.: Shall the bill now pass ?

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Monro called for the yeas and nays, which were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Cumming,	Starr,
Boyd,	Harris of the 3d,	Wilson.
Brand,	Mercer,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Story,
Harris of the 12th,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Harris of the 22d,	McGregor,	Sharpe,
Harrison,	Monro,	Tatum,
Johnson,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Lewis,	Norman,	Wade,
Long,	Osborne,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Morton,	Snead,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Upchurch,
Craigo,	Roberts,	Whitley,
Keen,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.

Yeas 8. Nays 24. Not voting 12.

So the bill was lost.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourns this day it will adjourn until 8 o'clock P.M.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the House, by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to vest the management of jails in certain counties in the board of commissioners of roads and revenues.

Also, a bill to repeal the charter of the city of Manchester.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of Clarkesville to issue bonds for school purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Cordele.



The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to amend an act, approved September 18, 1885. (Acts 1884 and 1885, page 121), so as to prevent the manufacture of certain liquors.

Also, a bill to amend an act, approved November 12, 1889, to declare ineligible to any other municipal office the councilmen and aldermen of the towns and cities in this State.

The bill of the Senate to provide for a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Lumpkin county was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The bill of the House to repeal the charter of the town of Manchester was read the first time and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

The following resolutions of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit :

A resolution authorizing the Treasurer of this State to transfer on the books of his office from the military fund of 1894 to the military fund of 1895, etc.

Also, a resolution for the relief of the Brunswick Street Railroad Company, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By resolution of Mr. Craigo, the Hon. Justus C. Adams, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Indiana, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

The Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock P. M.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President *pro tem.* in the chair.

The roll-call was, on motion, dispensed with.

Mr. Hrrris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 275, by Senator Monro of the Twenty-fourth, to be entitled an act to amend an act, approved November 12, 1889, entitled an act to declare councilmen and aldermen of the towns and cities in this State ineligible during their term of office to any other municipal office, etc.

Also, House bill No. 691, by Mr. Broyles of Fulton, to be entitled an act to amend section 1675(a) of the Code of 1882, which prohibits foreign corporations from owning more than 5,000 acres of land in Georgia, etc.

They have also considered the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, proofs correct, to wit :

House bill, by Mr. Willink of Chatham, to be entitled an act to authorize the mayor and council of Savannah to condemn property for the purpose of widening, extending, or straightening streets, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

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The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to authorize the town council of Hogansville to issue bonds, etc.

Also, a bill to fix the time and manner of electing the mayor and council of the town of Decatur.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Alto, etc.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Camilla, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Braswell, in Paulding county.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the spring term of Dawson superior court, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to limit the jurisdiction of the city council of DeKalb county in civil cases to amounts exceeding one hundred dollars.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Battle Hill.

Also, a bill to amend 1675(n) of the Code.

Also, a bill to amend the county commissioners' act for DeKalb county, etc.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Cairo.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit.

A bill to amend the act for Troup county so as to elect commissioners at general elections.

Also, a bill to amend section 943(a) of the Code of 1882.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to amend the act to establish a city court in the county of Clarke, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend an act to establish a system of public schools in the town of Quitman, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, a bill to fix the compensation of the two baliffs of the second division of the city court of Atlanta.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the superior court of Pulaski county

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within certain limits of the depot of the Atlanta and Richmond Air Line Railroad.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Also, a bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors at Trion Factory.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Shellman.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend an act, approved October 19, 1891, to establish city courts in counties having a population of 15,000 or more where the same do not now exist, upon the recommendation of the grand juries, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to establish a board of road commissioners and to provide for a system of public road working, etc., in the county of Bryan.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Cordele.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of the town of Clarkesville to issue bonds, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, a bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Locust Grove, in Henry county, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend an act to amend an act fixing the time for holding the superior courts in the counties composing the Rome judicial circuit, and for other purposes, by changing the times for the holding of said courts in the counties of Floyd and Chattooga.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to establish new terms and to regulate the practice of filing, returning, and trying new cases in the city court of Richmond county, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend the act incorporating the Title Guaranty and Loan Company of Savannah.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to provide for removal of obstructions in the running streams of Madison county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend the several acts incorporating the town of Conyers, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The following House resolution was read the first time and referred to the Special Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A resolution for the relief of John M. Williams of Catoosa county.

The resolution of the House, approving the bill now pending in the national Congress for the establishment of a dry dock at Key West, Florida, was concurred in.

The resolution of the House, inviting the Hon. T. G. duBignon to address the General Assembly, was taken up and concurred in.

Also, the bill to vest the management and care of all jails and persons confined therein under the control of the county commissioners of roads and revenues, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Property.

Mr. Sheppard, chairman Military Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Military Committee have had under consideration Senate bill No. 42, which is an act entitled an act to amend section 1103(ss) of the Code of 1882, which declares and describes the State flag, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Also, Senate bill No. 210, which is an act entitled an act to authorize the Governor to appoint military officers without salary, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do not pass.

Also, House resolution No. 86, authorizing the Treasurer of this State to transfer on the books of his office from the military fund of 1894 to the military fund of 1895 the unexpired balance of 1894, amounting to the sum of \$623.11, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to create and organize a board of tax-assessors and receivers for the city of Savannah.

The committee reported in favor of its passage.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Osborne, as follows :

1. By adding at the end of the fifth section the words, "or such other place as the mayor of Savannah may designate."

2. Amend by striking out all of section 6 after the word "further" in the second line thereof, and in lieu thereof insert the words, "enacted that the mayor of Savannah shall have power to appoint one of said board of tax-assessors and receivers as clerk of the board, in which event such tax-assessor and receiver so appointed shall serve as clerk during the term for which he is appointed tax-assessor and receiver, and the tax-assessor and receiver so appointed as clerk shall receive, in addition to his compensation or salary as such tax-assessor and receiver, such

compensation for his additional duties as the mayor and aldermen of Savannah, in council assembled, may prescribe.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to provide compensation for the members of the board of roads and revenues for Catoosa county, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Tatum, by striking from section 1, in line 6, after the word “compensation,” all of said section and insert in lieu thereof the following: “That the clerk of said board of commissioners of roads and revenues shall receive the following compensation: A sum not to exceed fifty dollars per annum.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 24, nays 0.

Mr. Johnson, by general consent, introduced a bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Statham, and for other purposes, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, by Mr. Johnson, a bill establishing a new charter for the town of Statham, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the Senate to amend an act regulating the sale of fertilizers in this State, and for other purposes.



The committee reported in favor of its passage with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Railroads on the bill of the Senate to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad under certain conditions therein named, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 24, nays 0.

The bill of the Senate to amend an act to amend an act to regulate the business of insurance brokers in this State was taken up for a third reading and laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to authorize the town council of Bowman to issue bonds, etc., for educational purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Douglas, in Coffee county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—ayes 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of Finance Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad, to confer certain powers and duties upon the Governor with reference thereto, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. McGregor, by adding the words "city of Chicago," after the words "city of New York," in section 1.

The report was further amended, on motion of Mr. Long, by adding the following:

"As an inducement for the purchase or lease of said railroad, the Governor is hereby empowered, if he should deem it proper, to convey to the Dahlonga Railroad Company, by a deed in fee simple, a one-half undivided interest in and to all the lands in and around the town of Lula, which were conveyed to said Northeastern Railroad Company, or for its benefit, by J. H. Banks and others for railroad purposes, on the condition and consideration that said Dahlonga Railroad Company extends its road to the town of Lula and connects with said Northeastern Railroad within two years from the date of the approval of this act; *provided*, this shall not be construed to authorize the conveyance of such portion of said property as is now used for terminal purposes."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—  
ayes 26, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Friday, December 6, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Lewis,	Storey,
Broughton,	Long,	Sanford,
Bush,	Little,	Snead,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Boyd,	McGregor,	Starr,
Brand,	McMillan,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Wilcox,
Craig,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Williams,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Roberts,	
Keen,	Sheppard,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Brown,	McGarrity,	Upchurch.
Morton,		

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, Chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Sheppard moved to take from the table the reconsidered bill of the Senate to regulate hunting and fishing in this State, etc., and for other purposes, and proposed to put the same on its passage.

Mr. Cumming made the point of order that a vote by yeas and nays having been taken on the bill before the motion to lay on the table was submitted and prevailed,

the first business in order was the announcement of the vote thereon.

The point of order was sustained, and the following was announced as the vote :

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Monro,	Starr,
Broughton,	Morton,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Norman,	Wilson,
Long,	Sheppard,	Wilcox,
McMillan,	Sanford,	Whitley,
Mercer,	Snead,	Williams.
McGregor,	Sharpe,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Johnson,	Lumpkin,
Boyd,	Keen,	McClure,
Brand,	Lewis,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	Little,	Wade.
Harrison,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Harris of the 22d,	Roberts,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Storey,
Cunning,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Craigo,	Ryals,	

Yeas 20. Nays 13. Not voting 11.

So the reconsidered bill, not having received a constitutional majority, was lost.

Mr. Sheppard then moved to have the list of voters revised by allowing Senators not voting on yesterday to add their votes on the question of passing the bill.

It was ruled by the President that it was too late to thus revise and change the vote.

Mr. Lewis submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bills :

No. 89, a resolution for the relief of the South Brunswick Railway Company, and recommend it do pass.

Also, No. 115, a resolution for the relief of the Brunswick Street Railroad Company, and recommend it do pass as amended.

Also, No. 138, a bill to be entitled an act to appoint an insurance commissioner and clerk to said commissioner for Georgia. The committee permitted the author of the bill to withdraw it.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through M. A. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills of the House:

A bill to incorporate the town of Moultrie as the city of Moultrie, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act granting charters to banking companies.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Hapeville, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to make an appropriation to the State Memorial Board for the marking by monuments and other suitable memorials of Georgia troops in the battle of Chickamauga, within the limits of Chickamauga National Park.

Also, a bill to amend an act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in Habersham county

Also, a bill to amend an act by providing an annual pension to such ex-Confederate soldiers as are unable to provide a living for themselves.

Also, a bill to amend section 4928 of the Code.

Also, a bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Graysville.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Coffee county.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners for Fannin county.

Also, a bill to authorize the city of Augusta to extend a ditch beyond the city limits.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of Dalton to grant to railroads the use of any streets.

Also, a bill for the relief of the North Georgia Agricultural College.

Also, a bill to amend the act incorporating the city of Chickamauga.

The House has also adopted the following resolutions of the Senate, to wit:

A resolution for the relief of John Evett and others of Catoosa county.

Also, a resolution revoking ceded rights to the United States over certain lands adjoining Chickamauga National Park.

Also, a resolution that the caption of House bill No. 397 be changed by striking certain words therefrom.

Also, a resolution to relieve the Atlanta and Chattahoochee Railway Company and the Collins Park and Belt Railway Company.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on a bill of the Senate to amend an act entitled an act for a general law as to inspection, analysis, and

sale of fertilizers, approved October 19, 1891, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and, on the question of its passage as amended by substitute, the yeas and nays were demanded and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Keen,	Ryals,
Bush,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Long,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Little,	Snead,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	Mercer,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harrison,	McClure,	Williams.
Johnson,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Morton,	Osborne,	Wilcox.
Norman,	Storey,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	McMillan,	Wade,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Whitley,
Cumming,	Roberts,	Mr. President.
Craig,	Upchurch,	

Yeas 28. Nays 5. Not voting 11.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

On motion of Mr. McGregor, the bill was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they direct me to

report back, with recommendation that it do pass, the proofs being correct :

A bill to be entitled an act to revise the charter of Bruton, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit :

Senate bill No. 229, by Senator Harris of the Twenty-second, to be entitled an act to establish a court of appeals, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Cordele, in the county of Dooly, so as to authorize the establishment of a system of public schools in said city, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman



The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House establishing a new charter for the city of Covington, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 31, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to authorize the State Treasurer to pay John Faver for services, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Sharpe,
Broughton,	Little,	Starr,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Tatum,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Upchurch.
Boyd,	Mercer,	Wilson,
Cumming,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Wade,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Whitley,
Keen,	Sanford,	Williams.
Lewis,	Snead.	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brand,	Johnson,	Norman,
Brown,	McGregor,	Roberts,
Craigo,	Morton,	Sheppard,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity.	Storey,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Mr. President.

Yeas 29. Not voting 15.

So the resolution was concurred in by a constitutional majority.

The bill of the Senate to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Irwin was laid on the table.

By resolution of Mr. Bush, the Hon. P W H. Tatum, of the county of Dade, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in the city.

On motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, it was ordered that all Senate bills passed this day and until the close of the session be immediately transmitted to the House.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for a fixed compensation for insurance commissioner, and clerk of insurance department, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with certain amendments.

Mr. Long proposed to amend the report as follows :

Amend section 1 by striking out all of said section from the words "the clerk" in the sixth line, and including the word "Governor" in the tenth line.

On the question of the adoption of this amendment, Mr. Brand demanded the yeas and nays, which were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Johnson,	Monro,	Norman,
Long,	McClure,	Whitley.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harrison,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Keen,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Lewis,	Storey,
Boyd,	Little,	Sanford,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Sharpe,

Craig,	Mercer,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Ryals,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brown,	Osborne,	Wilson,
Bush,	Tatum,	Mr. President.
McGarrity,	Wilcox,	

Yeas 6. Nays 30. Not voting 8.

So the amendment was not adopted.

The amendments of the committee were adopted and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and lost, there being yeas 3, nays 25.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Wilcox county.

Also, a bill to amend section 3888 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to require Spalding county to pay the officers of court the costs now allowed by law in each case convicted and worked in the chain-gang of said county.

Also, a bill to provide a public school system for Wadley.

The House has also passed the following bills of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to amend an act relating to the issuing and granting corporate powers to railroad companies by the Secretary of State.

Also, a bill to make penal the selling or buying seed cotton in the county of Columbia.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendment to House bill, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Dawson, to require the election of the clerk by the mayor.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they direct me to report the same properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 1 and 2 of an act entitled an act to amend the laws of this State in reference to the inspection of illuminating oils.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to repeal paragraphs 8 and 9 of section 1 of article 5 of the Constitution, which refer to the filling of vacancies in the office of Governor.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the sale of the Northeastern Railroad.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act regulating sales of fertilizers in this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T H. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report back, with recommendation that it do pass :

Abill to repeal the charter of the city of Manchester, to incorporate said city under the name of College Park, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Sheppard submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Military Committee of the Senate have had under consideration Senate bill No. 220, which is an act entitled an act to amend, revise, and consolidate the military laws of this State, to declare what military laws are of force, to repeal conflicting laws, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act to regulate the business of insurance brokers in this State, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of the passage of the bill by substitute, which substitute the committee proposed to amend.

The amendments proposed by the committee to the substitute were lost.

The substitute was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended by substitute, there being ayes 35, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Tatum, the bill of the House was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Finance, to wit :

A bill to make an appropriation to the State Memorial Board, etc., and for other purposes.

The Senate took up for a third reading the bill of the Senate to amend section 926 of the Code, which, on motion, was laid on the table.

The bill of the Senate to revise the charter of the town of Bruton, and for other purposes, was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to amend an act to establish a system of public schools in the town of Quitman, approved December 26, 1888, and amended November 4, 1889, so as to provide for the election of a board of education by the qualified voters of said town.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to provide for a board of

commissioners of roads and revenues of Lumpkin county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act, approved November 18, 1889, entitled an act to declare the councilmen and aldermen of the towns and cities in this State ineligible during their term of office to any other municipal office in said towns and cities, excepting officers appointed by the mayor.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Tatum, the Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the reconsidered bill of the Senate to repeal an act, approved December 26, 1888, to require corporations and persons doing business in this State to redeem in cash any script, checks, or other written evidence of debt for wages of laborers.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage there were yeas 17, nays 6; so the bill was lost.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to establish a court of appeals, to define its jurisdiction and practice, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with the

amendments which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to create a board of county commissioners for Fannin county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of Dah-longa to grant the use of any of the streets of said town to any railroad, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Moultrie, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Wilcox, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Lumpkin.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Graysville.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to establish a public school system for the town of Wadley.

Referred to the Committee on Education.



Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Hapeville.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend section 4928 of the Code.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to authorize the city of Augusta to extend a ditch beyond the city limits, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Habersham, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Also, a resolution of the House to relieve the Atlanta and Chattahoochee Railway Company and the Collins Park and Belt Railway Company from penalty for not returning taxes.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 8 o'clock P. M.

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8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President *pro tem*.

The roll-call was, on motion, dispensed with.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they direct me to report back, with recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted :

A bill to be entitled an act establishing a new charter for the town of Statham, Jackson county, Ga., and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, to wit:

A bill to amend an act approved December 9, 1893, creating a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Catoosa county, providing for compensation for the clerk thereof.

Also, a bill to make owners of dead animals bury same.

Also, a bill to create and organize a board of tax-assessors and receivers for the city of Savannah.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to authorize the trustees of the United Freewill Baptist Church to sell certain property and to make legal transfer.

Also, a bill to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth.

Also, a bill to fix the compensation of clerks at general elections.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Habersham county

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Pinehurst, in the county of Dooly.

The bill of the Senate to establish a new charter for the town of Statham was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as respectively indicated, to wit :

A bill to amend section 3888 of the Code.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend an act, approved October 21, 1891, prescribing the method of granting charters to banking companies.

Referred to the Committee on Banks.

Also, a bill to require Spalding county to pay the officers of court the cost now allowed by law, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Chickamauga, in Walker county.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend section 6 of an act to carry into effect the act, amending paragraph 1 of article 7 of the Constitution of this State, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, a bill for the relief of the North Georgia Agricultural College, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to authorize the trustees of the United Free-will Baptist Church of Columbus, Ga., to sell certain land.

Referred to the Committee on Special Judiciary.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Habersham.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend an act to consolidate the several acts incorporating the city of Forsyth, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill fixing the compensation of clerks of general elections in the county of Pierce, etc.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Parkhurst.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a resolution correcting House bill No. 397

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Evett and others of Catoosa county.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, a resolution revoking ceded rights granted to the United States over certain lands adjoining Chickamauga National Military Park.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Whitley, chairman Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following Senate bill, which they direct me to report back properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act, approved November 12, 1889, entitled an act to declare the council-

men and aldermen of the towns and cities in this State ineligible during their term of office, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Long, chairman Committee on Banks, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bill, by Mr. Rockwell of Chatham, No. 620, which they recommend do pass :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Savannah Bank and Trust Company of Savannah, and the amendments thereto, to permit said bank to reduce its capital stock, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill by Mr. Osborne of the First district, No. 277, which they recommend be allowed to withdraw.

Also, a bill by Mr. Osborne of the First district, No. 276, which they recommend be read a second time and be recommended to the Committee on Banks.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

The bill of the Senate to authorize banking corporations to change the face value of their stock without amending the charter was read the second time and recommended.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in the town of Quitman, etc.

Also, a bill to amend an act to incorporate the Savannah

Bank and Trust Company of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to repeal the charter of the city of Manchester, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Cordele, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution authorizing the Treasurer of the State to transfer on the books of his office from the military fund of 1894 to the military fund of 1895 the unexpended balance of 1894, amounting to the sum of \$628.11.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to establish the city court of Coffee county.

The report was favorable to the passage of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the report was amended by striking out the word "superior" in the third and fourth lines of the thirty-ninth section, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "supreme."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to repeal the county court act so far as it applies to the county of Coffee.

The report was agreed to.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

House bill No. 362, by Mr. Worley of Elbert, to be entitled an act to change the time for holding the regular quarterly term of the city court of Elbert county, etc.

Also, House bill No. 624, by Mr. Brown of Pulaski, to be entitled on act to change the time of holding the superior court of Pulaski county

Also, House bill No. 700, by Mr. Shropshire of Chattooga, to be entitled an act to amend an act approved December 20, 1893, entitled an act to amend an act approved December 29, 1890, fixing the time for holding the superior courts in the Rome judicial circuit, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, to wit :

House bill No. 91, by Mr. Wright of Floyd, to be entitled an act to regulate admission to the bar.

Also, House bill No. 387, by Mr. Hodges of Bibb, to be entitled an act to fix and define the liability of receivers, etc., operating railroads, etc.

They have also considered the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

House bill No. 379, by Mr. Fogarty of Richmond, to be entitled an act to prohibit the levying and collecting by any incorporated city, town, or village in this State of any license or tax on any traveling salesman for the taking of orders, etc.

Also, House bill No. 398, by Mr. Mell of Clarke, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish a city court in the county of Clarke, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Long, chairman on the part of the Senate of the Joint Committee of Senate and House appointed to investigate the condition of the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Joint Committee appointed to investigate the condition of the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad report this : They have made careful inquiry into the physical and financial condition of the road and find the roadbed, bridges, rolling-stock, etc., to be in fair condition, while the trestles, eleven in number, are in a very bad condition, making it unsafe and dangerous to run trains over them ; especially is this true of that portion of the road between Clarkesville and Tallulah Falls. We find the road in the hands of a receiver, appointed by the United States court, and operated by and under the direction of said court. We find that the operating expenses, since being placed in the hands of a receiver, have exceeded the income as per statement of receiver.

We find the receiver has issued, during the years since the road has been placed in his hands, receiver's certificates to the amount of twelve thousand dollars, issued for the purpose of operating said road, as per statement herewith given marked 2. We submit said receiver's report without expressing an opinion as to the necessity or legality for issuing said certificates. Owing to the country being sparsely settled, the revenue from passenger as well as freight traffic is necessarily meager, but, at the same time,



recognizing the individual rights of the citizens living on and adjacent to said road.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that the Governor be authorized to relinquish all claims the State of Georgia may have to said road, to the bondholders, or to any other persons, without recourse on the State, upon the following conditions: That they pay all State and county tax, and that they resume a daily schedule from Cornelia to Tallulah Falls within ninety days, and that they put the roadbed, bridges, and trestles in good condition within six months from the approval of these recommendations; providing, that the relinquishment shall not be in effect until all the requirements are fully complied with. Your committee herewith submit a bill to carry out the recommendations contained in this report, which we request be read and referred to the appropriate committee.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

TRAMMELL STARR,

N. E. HARRIS,

On part of Senate.

M. T. PERKINS, Chairman.

WM. WYNNE.

B. F. RAWLINGS.

FLETCHER M. JOHNSON.

F. R. POOL,

On part of House.

On motion of Mr. Long, one hundred copies of the foregoing report were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Saturday, December 7, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Beeks,	Keen,	Sanford,
Bush,	Lewis,	Snead,
Bussey.	Long,	Sharpe,
Royd,	Little,	Starr;
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Tatum,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Mercer,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Williams,
Johnson,	Sheppard,	Mr President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Morton,	Roberts,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Storey.
McGregor,	Norman,	

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal as correct. It was then read and approved by the Senate.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to authorize the proper county authorities of the border counties to co-operate with adjacent States in building and keeping up bridges.

Also, a bill to appropriate twenty-five thousand dollars to be used in the construction of buildings and furnishing same for the State university

Also, a bill to authorize the publication of the Georgia Reports from 1877 to 1883 inclusive.

Also, a bill to prohibit the manufacture of any kind of spirituous or intoxicating liquors in the county of Coweta.

Also, a bill to amend section 1855 of the Code to change the number of commissions in lunacy cases.

Also, a bill to ratify settlements made by the Governor and Attorney-General concerning certain rights of the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

Also, a bill to appropriate \$1,800 as compensation for special commissioners to settle controversies affecting the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and further appropriating \$350 for the payment of costs and expenses concerning the right of every case against the Central Railroad.

Also, a bill to repeal an act granting right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railway where its route adjoins that of the Western and Atlantic Railway Co.

The House has also adopted the following resolutions of the House, to wit :

A resolution to pay the per diem and the expenses of the committee to examine the work of the Code commissioners.

Also, a resolution providing for the payment to the city of Atlanta of the State's proportion of the paving of West Cain and Spring streets, etc.

Also, a resolution appropriating the sum of \$500 to paint the dome and repair the roof of the capitol.

Also, a bill authorizing an agreement to be made with the city of Atlanta affecting the use of Wall street.

Mr. Sheppard moved to reconsider so much of the Journal of yesterday as relates to the action of the Senate on the reconsidered bill of the Senate to regulate hunting and fishing in this State.

Mr. Harris, of the Third district, made the point of order that the bill having been once reconsidered the motion to reconsider a second time could not be entertained.

The point of order was sustained by the President under rule 84 of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Starr, the action of the Senate, which relates to concurrence in the resolution of the House to allow the Treasurer of the State to pay John Faver for services, was reconsidered.

Mr. Lewis submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration the following bill:

No. 454, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 943 of the Code 1882, providing for State depositories, so as to add the city of Blackshear, Pierce county, Ga., and recommend it do pass.

Also, No. 85, a resolution requesting the Governor of Georgia to pay coupons of the Northeastern Railroad, and recommend it do pass.

Also, No. 277, a bill to amend act permitting Confederate soldiers to peddle without license, so as to permit them to peddle as life insurance agents, and recommend it do pass as amended.

Also, No. 612, a bill to be entitled an act to make an appropriation to the State Memorial Board for the purpose of monuments and memorials for the position occupied by the

Georgia troops participating in the battle of Chickamauga, and for other purposes, which they recommend do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Wilcox, chairman of the Committee on the State of the Republic, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on the State of the Republic have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do not pass, to wit :

Senate bill No. 152, by Senator Whitley of the Thirty-eighth, to be entitled an act to provide for the registration of deaths, etc.

Also, resolution No. 88, by Senator Brown of the Thirty-ninth, to be entitled a resolution to memorialize Congress to appropriate lands belonging to the public domain, with any moneys accruing for educational purposes, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. K. WILCOX, Chairman.

Mr. Cumming, of the Eighteenth district, member of the Special Judiciary, submitted the following minority report:

*Mr. President:*

The undersigned dissent from the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on House bill No. 730, by Mr. McDaniel of Fannin, in reference to changing the county site of Fannin county, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, and recommend instead that the bill do not pass for the reason that in the opinion of the undersigned this

is a local bill, and there is no evidence that notice thereof was given as prescribed by the Constitution and Statutes, but on the contrary, it was admitted by the advocates of the bill that no notice was given that this bill was to be introduced.

Respectfully submitted.

BRYAN CUMMING.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to change the county site of Fannin county, in the State of Georgia, from Morganton to Blue Ridge.

Also, a bill to fix the compensation to be paid persons employed as clerks in holding general elections at the precincts in the county of Pierce, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the act incorporating the Title Guarantee and Loan Company of Savannah.

Also, a bill to establish new terms, and to regulate the practice of filing, returning, and trying new cases in the city court of Richmond county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Wilcox.

Also, a bill to create a board of county commissioners for Fannin county, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolution do pass :

A resolution for the relief of John M. Williams of Catoosa county

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Engrossing Committee have examined the following Senate bill and direct me to report the same properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House :

A bill to be entitled an act to revise the charter of the town of Bruton, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to authorize the town of Clarkesville to issue bonds for the purpose of completing school buildings in the town of Clarkesville, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to establish a public school system for the town of Wadley, Ga., to appoint a board of education for said town, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Craig the bill of the House to remove the county site of Fannin county from Morganton to Blue Ridge was made the special order for 12 o'clock Monday next.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time and referred, as indicated, to a committee :

A bill to appropriate to the trustees of the University of Georgia \$25,000 to be expended in construction of additional buildings and furnishing the same for the Georgia Normal and Industrial College, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, a bill to authorize the proper authorities of border counties in this State to co-operate with proper authorities of border counties of the adjacent States in building and keeping up bridges, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to authorize the republication of the Georgia Reports from the 77th to the 83d, inclusive.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend section 1855 of the Code of 1882.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to prohibit the manufacture of any kind of spirituous or intoxicating liquors in the county of Coweta, except wine, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to repeal an act granting right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railway where its route adjoins that of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, approved October 8, 1879.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The following joint resolutions of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A resolution to pay the per diem and expenses of the Joint Committee of the General Assembly appointed at the session of 1894 to examine the work of the Code Commissioners.

Referred to the Finance Committee.



Also, a resolution appropriating the sum of \$500.00 to paint the dome and repair the roof of the capitol building.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a resolution providing for the payment to the city of Atlanta the State's proportion of the expense of paving, sewerage, etc., on Spring and West Cain streets, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a resolution of the House to appropriate the sum of \$1,800 as compensation to the special commissioners for the adjudication of controversies affecting the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and to pay \$350.50 for the payment of costs and expenses chargeable to the State, etc.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a resolution ratifying and confirming provisional settlement made by the Governor and Attorney-General concerning certain rights, ways, and properties of the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also, a resolution authorizing an agreement to be made with the city of Atlanta affecting the use of Wall street.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the action of the Senate making the bill of the house to move the county site of Fannin county the special order for 12 o'clock Monday next was reconsidered.

Mr. Harris, of the Third dlstrict, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me

to report back, with recommendation that they do pass, the proofs being correct, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a clerk of the county court of Effingham county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 4928 to the Code.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to make penal the offense of hindering, obstructing, or interfering with officers charged with the duty of executing the sentence or order of court after trial of persons charged with crime.

Mr. Boyd, chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 621, by Mr. Clements of Milton, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act approved February 20, 1874, to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors at Trion Factory, etc.

Also, House bill No. 636, by Mr. Perkins of Habersham,

to be entitled an act to amend an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Habersham, etc.

Also, House bill No. 619, by Mr. Clements of Milton, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within ————— of the depot on the Atlanta and Richmond Air Line Railroad at Duluth, etc.

They have also had under consideration Senate bill No. 221, by Senator McGarrity of the Thirty-eighth, to be entitled an act to amend an act approved September 18, 1885 (acts 1884 and 1885, page 121), etc., which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

M. G. BOYD, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report back, with recommendation that it do pass, the proofs being correct:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the city of Augusta to extend a ditch beyond the city limits, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to authorize the mayor and aldermen of Savannah to condemn property for widening, extending, or straightening any street, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to revise the charter of the town of Bruton, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Finance on the resolution of the Senate for relief of the South Brunswick Railway Company.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and agreed to—yeas 26, nays 0.

And was ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

The committee reported in favor of the bill, with amendments, which were adopted, except amendment No. 5, for which Mr. Venable offered the following as a substitute, to wit:

Amend by striking proposed amendment No. 5 of the committee and adding the following as a new section, to be known as section 5, as follows:

“Be it further enacted, That there shall be elected by the new council, to be sworn in and organized on the first meeting thereof in January, 1896, an additional member of the board of police commissioners, whose term shall expire on the first regular meeting in March, 1899, and his successor shall be elected thereafter for a term of three years, as other members of said board are elected, as prescribed by charter.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 29, nays 0.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following Senate bill which they direct me to report properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for and regulate the business of insurance in this State.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Mercer, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have had under examination the following Senate bills, which they direct me to report properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives.

A bill to establish a court of appeals in this State.

Also, a bill to amend an act entitled an act, a general law as to inspection, analysis, and sale of fertilizers, approved October 19, 1891, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Lumpkin.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report back to be read a second time and recommitted to that committee, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the town of Forsyth, in the county of Monroe.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Graysville, in the county of Catoosa, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Pinehurst, in the county of Dooley, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the city of Chickamauga, in the county of Walker, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to create a board of commissioners of water for the city of Savannah.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate establishing a new charter for the town of Statham, Jackson county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to establish a new charter for the town of Calhoun, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Cumming, the bill of the House to amend the Constitution of the State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, section 2, to be known as paragraph 8, so as to change the organization of the supreme court, etc., was made the special order for 11 o'clock A. M. Monday.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to repeal an act, approved February 17, 1877, to authorize the ordinary of Spalding county to keep his office and records, and hold his courts at a place other than at the courthouse of said county.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass :

A bill to amend the act for Troup county, so as to elect commissioners at general elections.

Also, a bill to authorize and empower the mayor and council of the town of Dahlonega, Ga., to grant to any railroad the use of any of the streets of said town for railroad tracks, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill for the relief of the North Georgia Agricultural College, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following bills do pass as amended :

A bill to incorporate the town of Moultrie as the city of Moultrie, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend an act, approved December 20, 1893, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Locust Grove, in the county of Henry, and for other purposes.

The committee further recommend the passage of the following bills, which they have had under consideration, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Shellman.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish a board of



road commissioners for the county of Bryan, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The bill of the House to change the county site of Fannin was, on motion, taken up and (again) read the first time and recommitted.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to regulate admission to the bar.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage as amended by substitute, the yeas and nays were demanded and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harris of the 12th,	Ryals,
Bussey,	Harris of the 22d,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Upchurch,
Brand,	McClure,	Wilson,
Cumming,	Norman,	Wade,
Craig,	Osborne,	Williams.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Bush,	Lewis,	McGregor,
Harris of the 3d,	Little,	Monro,
Harrison,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Keen,	McMillan,	Wilcox.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	McGarrity,	Starr,
Brown,	Sheppard,	Tatum,
Johnson,	Storey,	Whitley,
Long,	Sanford,	Mr. President.
Morton,	Snead,	

Yeas 18. Nays 12. Not voting 14.

So the bill, not having received a constitutional majority, was lost.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the Senate to amend an act, approved December 15, 1893, permitting Confederate soldiers to peddle without license—State, county, municipal, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to authorize and provide for the payment of insolvent criminal costs of the clerk of the superior court of Macon county in certain cases.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The bill of the House to amend section 4928 of the Code was read the second time and passed to a third reading.

Mr. Wilson, chairman of the Committee on Public Property, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Public Property have had under consideration House bill No. 136, the same being a bill to be entitled an act to vest the management and care of all

jails and persons confined therein under the control of the county commissioners of roads and revenues in counties where there is located a city of a population of sixty-four thousand or over, and for other purposes, and they have requested me as chairman of your committee to report said bill to the Senate, with a recommendation that the same do pass as amended.

LEON A. WILSON, Chairman.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to incorporate the town of Battle Hill.

The committee also recommend that the following Senate bill do pass :

A bill to establish a new charter for the town of Stat-ham, Jackson county, Georgia, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that House bill No. 663 be returned to the Senate and lie on table.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills and resolutions, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

Resolution No. 110, by Mr. Gray of Catoosa, revoking ceded rights granted to the United States government, etc.

Also, resolution No. 139, by Mr. Meador of Madison, correcting House bill No. 397, by amending, etc.

Also, House bill No. 232, by Mr. Polhill of Bibb, to be entitled an act to amend section 3888, etc.

Also, House bill No. 739, by Mr. Bailey of Spalding, to be entitled an act to require Spalding county to pay the officers of court the costs now allowed by law in each case convicted, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same be read second time and recommitted :

A bill to authorize the United Freewill Baptist Church of Columbus, Ga., to sell certain land heretofore conveyed to them for church purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the town of Camilla, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report, which was favorable, was amended, on motion of Mr. Bush, by inserting after the word "full," in the seventeenth line of the tenth section, the word "term."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to require Spalding county to pay the officers of court the costs now allowed by law in each case convicted and worked in the chain-gang of said county.

Also, a bill to authorize the trustees of the United Free-will Baptist Church of Columbus, Ga., to sell certain land, etc.

Also, a resolution revoking ceded rights granted to the United States government over certain lands adjoining Chickamauga National Military Park.

The following bill and resolution of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

A bill to amend section 3888 of the Code.

A resolution correcting House bill No. 397

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration House bill No. 321, by Mr. Boifeuillet, of Bibb, and recommend that the same be read the second time and recommitted.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. Venable, took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the

Senate to amend paragraph 1, section 3 of article 8 of the Constitution, and for other purposes.

The Committee reported in favor of its passage with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage as amended, the ayes and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harrison,	Ryals,
Bush,	Keen,	Roberts,
Bussey,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Boyd,	Little,	Sanford,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Wilcox,
Craig,	McGregor,	Wade,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Williams.
Harris of the 22d,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Wilson.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Morton,	Snead,
Brown,	McGarritty,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Tatum,
Johnson,	Norman,	Upchurch.
Long,	Osborne,	Whitley,
McMillan,	Storey,	Mr. President.

Yeas 25. Nays 1. Not voting 18.

So the bill, not having received a constitutional majority, was lost.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until Monday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.  
Monday, December 9, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Broughton,	Keen,	Ryals,
Bush,	Long,	Roberts,
Bussey,	Little,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Starr,
Brown,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Craigo,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Williams,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Johnson,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Sheppard,	Sharpe,
Lewis,	Storey,	Wade.
Norman,		

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and confirmed by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the action of the Senate in failing to pass the bill of the Senate to amend paragraph 1, section 3 of article 8 of the Constitution, and for other purposes, was reconsidered.

Mr. Roberts moved a reconsideration of the bill of the House to regulate admission to the bar, which the Senate refused to pass on Saturday. The motion to reconsider did not prevail.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk, thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to organize, discipline, and regulate the volunteer forces of the State.

Also, a bill to amend an act to fix the time of holding the courts in the Tallapoosa judicial circuit.

Also, a bill to prohibit the operation of opium joints in this State and to provide a penalty for the violation of the same.

Also, a bill to prohibit prize-fighting in this State and to make the same penal.

Also, a bill to allow affidavits to foreclose liens to be made before any officer authorized to administer oaths.

Also, a bill to amend an act to provide for the appointment of auditors, prescribe their duties, so as to more distinctly prescribe what cases shall be submitted to a jury.

Also, a bill to provide for the payment of pensions to certain widows of Confederate soldiers.

Also, a bill to appropriate \$1,400.00 to the School for the Deaf, to cover deficit for the year 1895.

Also, a bill to compel all persons who sell or offer to sell beef, pork, and mutton in Liberty county to exhibit the ears and state the brand.

Also, a bill to prohibit fishing with seine in the Tallulah river above Tallulah Falls.

Also, a bill to require all infantry companies to be attached to one of the present existing regiments.



Also, a bill to require all teachers in the common schools of this State to be examined and licensed before they can teach.

Also, a bill to appropriate money to the Lunatic Asylum.

Also, a bill to provide for official surveys of the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

Also, a bill to abolish the city court of Laurens county.

Also, a bill to provide for a system of public schools for the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to provide for the qualifications of members of the board of education in the several counties, and to provide for their compensation.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Jakin, in Early county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Birmingham, in Milton county.

The House has also adopted the following resolutions of the House, to wit:

A resolution to pay Mrs. Cathenia, A. Sailors, widow of J. B. Sailors, fifty dollars, one year's pension, and Mrs. Ellen McGovern one hundred dollars, one year's pension.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Mrs. Julia Knight and Susan E. Massey, widows, both of Gwinnett county.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Jane Sanders.

Also, a resolution to purchase the portrait of Hon. Robt. Toombs.

Also, a resolution to authorize the Governor and Attorney-General to make a final settlement with W. B. McClatchey, of Tennessee, for legal services to the State.

Also, a resolution appropriating one thousand dollars to pay expenses of Special Investigating Committee.

Also, a resolution to make an appropriation to pay the clerk of the Committee on Railroads and Elections, sitting during recess.

Also, a resolution to pay M. Hardin, Clerk, and C. S. Northen, Assistant Secretary, for preparing and mailing a statement of the business to each member of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the reconsidered bill of the Senate to amend paragraph 1, section 3 of article 8 of the Constitution, and for other purposes.

The report was favorable to the passage of the bill, with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Bush,	Keen,	Ryals,
Bussey,	Long,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Little,	Snead,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Starr,
Brown,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Whitley,
Johnson,	McClure,	Williams.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	McMillan,	Wilson.
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Norman,	Sanford,
Harrison,	Sheppard,	Sharpe,
Lewis,	Storey,	Mr. President.

Yeas 30. Nays 5. Not voting 9.

So the bill, having received a constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, and direct me to report the same, with recommendation that they do pass, the proofs being correct:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the mayor and council of the town of Dahlonaga to grant any railroad the use of any street for railroad tracks, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the North Georgia Agricultural College.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the act for Troup county, so as to elect commissioners at general elections.

They direct me to report the following House bills, with recommendation that they pass as amended:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved December 20, 1893, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Locust Grove, in Henry county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to reincorporate the town of Moultrie as the city of Moultrie, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have had under examination the following Senate bills, which they direct me to report, properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives :

A bill to amend an act approved December 15, 1893, permitting Confederate soldiers to peddle without license, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to establish a new charter for the town of Statbam, Jackson county, Ga., and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report back, with recommendation that they pass, the proofs being correct :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the county site of Fannin, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Coffee.

Respectfully submitted.

S. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House for the relief of J. S. McGahee of McDuffie county.

The committee reported in favor of the resolution, which amendment was adopted and the report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 28, nays 0.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated :

A bill to make penal the offense of hindering, obstructing, or interfering with officers charged with the duty of executing the sentence or order of court.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Mrs. Julia A. Knight and Mrs. Susan E. Massey.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Jane Sanders.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has adopted the following resolution of the House in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit :

A resolution to pay George B. Whitaker back pensions for years 1893 and 1894.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to change the time for holding the regular quarterly term of the city court of Elbert county, so that the same shall commence on the second Monday in February, May, August, and November of each year after January 1, 1896, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

Mr. Cumming offered the following resolution which was taken up and agreed to, to wit :

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Five be appointed to examine into the condition of the business of the Senate and report upon the best method of proceeding to dispose of the same before final adjournment.

Under this resolution the President appointed as the committee, Messrs. Cumming, Harris of the Twenty-second district, Roberts, Wilson and Brand.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to authorize the town council of Hogansville to issue bonds, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Alto.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the Constitution of the State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, section 2, to be known as paragraph 8, so as to change the

organization of the Supreme Court, to increase the number of associate justices, to provide for elections by the people and for other purposes, the same being the special order for this day.

The committee reported in favor of the passage of the bill with certain amendments.

To perfect section 1 of the bill, the last amendment proposed by the committee was first taken up and adopted. It is as follows:

Amend section 1 by striking out the words, "and three additional associate justices shall be elected for terms of one, three, and five years respectively, beginning January 1, 1897 The person receiving the highest number of votes shall fill the longest term of six years, the next highest, the term of five years, and so on for the term of three years, and the term of one year," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "By the expiration of the term of the present incumbent; and three additional associate justices shall be elected for terms expiring respectively January 1, 1899, January 1, 1901 and January 1, 1903. The persons elected as additional associate justices shall, among themselves, determine by lot which of the three last mentioned terms each shall have, and they shall be commissioned accordingly. After said first election, all terms (except unexpired terms) shall be for six years each. In case of any vacancy which causes an unexpired term, the same shall be filled by executive appointment, and the person appointed by the Governor shall hold his office until the next regular election, and until his successor for the balance of the unexpired term shall have been elected and qualified."

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The following amendment proposed by the committee was submitted to the Senate, and on the question of its

adoption the yeas and nays were called for. The amendment is as follows, to wit :

Amend the first section by striking out all in the section commencing with the words "Chief Justice" in the seventeenth line and ending with the words "Secretary of State" in the last line of the section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

"The three additional associate justices provided for in this amendment shall be elected for terms expiring, respectively, January 1, 1899, January 1, 1901, and January 1, 1903. After said first election all terms except unexpired terms shall be for six years."

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Morton,	Starr,
Bush,	Osborne,	Upchurch,
Bussey,	Ryals,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	Roberts,	Whitley.
Little,	Sanford,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Keen,	McGarrity,
Brown,	Long,	McClure,
Cumming,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Craigo,	McMillan,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Mercer,	Wilson,
Harrison,	McGregor,	Wade,
Johnson,	Monro,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Story,
Brand,	Norman,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard.	Mr. President.

Yeas 14. Nays 21. Not voting 9.

So the amendment was not adopted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of



its passage as amended, the yeas and nays were demanded and recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Starr,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Craig,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Johnson,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Keen,	McClure,	Williams.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Whitley.
Harrison,	Upchurch,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brand,	Norman,	Storey,
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.

Yeas 33. Nays 5. Not voting 6.

The bill having received a constitutional majority was passed as amended.

Mr. Lewis offered the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration, No. 422, a bill entitled an act to amend the Constitution of the State for an annual pension to certain ex-Confederate soldiers. The committee recommend it be read a second time and recommitted.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined the following bills and direct me to report the same properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend paragraph 1, section 3, article 8 of the Constitution of Georgia.

Respectfully submitted.

T. R. WHITLEY, Chairman.

Mr. Starr offered a resolution which was taken up and agreed to authorizing the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House and chairmen of Auditing and Enrolling Committees to remain five days after adjournment to bring up unfinished business.

Mr. Wade introduced a resolution authorizing the Governor to accept certain historical publications from General James D. McBride, which was taken up and agreed to.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass as amended, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have under consideration the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the trustees of the United Freewill Baptist Church, of Columbus, Georgia, to sell certain land heretofore conveyed to them for church purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr President:*

The House herewith, by request, returns to the Senate House bill No 406 for correction, which is a bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

The House also passed the following bill of the House, to wit :

A bill to authorize the issuance of warrants on the treasury of the State to pay the pensions of ex-Confederate soldiers.

Also, a bill to repeal an act to make permanent the income of the University of Georgia.

Mr. Cumming, of the Eighteenth district, chairman of the Special Committee on the Order of Business, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Order of Business report as follows:

1. That this session be prolonged until two o'clock.
2. That House bill No. 472, in reference to removal of Fannin county county seat, be read a second time.
3. That appropriation bills be read the first time and referred.
4. That other house bills be read the first time and referred.
5. That house bills be read a second time.
6. That the Senate reconvene at 7:30 to-night and the same order of business be pursued.
- 7 That this order be not varied except by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted.

BRYAN CUMMING, Chairman.

The bill of the House to move the county-site of Fannin county from Morganton to Blue Ridge was taken up and read a second time (again), and made special order for tomorrow at 11 oclock A. M.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A resolution to purchase a portrait of the Hon. Robert Toombs.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A resolution to appropriate money to the State Lunatic Asylum.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A resolution to pay pensions to Mrs. Arthenia A. Sailors and Mrs. Ellen McGovern, etc.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A bill to abolish the city court of Laurens county, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to authorize the issuing of warrants on the treasury of this State, to pay the pensions of ex-Confederate soldiers, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

A bill to appropriate \$1,400 to the Georgia School for the Deaf, etc..

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A bill to provide for and authorize the payment of pensions to certain widows of Confederate soldiers who are on the invalid pension roll, and who have died from the effects of injuries for which they were pensioned.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A resolution to pay George B. Whitaker back pensions for 1893 and 1894.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A resolution to pay M. A. Hardin, Clerk, and C. S. Northen, Assistant Secretary, for preparing and mailing a statement of the business to each member of the General Assembly

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A resolution to make an appropriation to pay the clerk of the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A resolution appropriating one hundred dollars to pay expenses of Special Investigating Committee.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A bill to repeal an act to make permanent the income of the University of Georgia.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

A bill to amend an act to amend the school laws of this State, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to incorporate the town of Birmingham, in Milton county.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill to amend an act to fix the times for holding the superior courts in the various counties of Tallapoosa circuit.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to establish a system of free schools in the town of Trion, Chattooga county.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to authorize the Governor and Attorney-General to make a final settlement with W P McClatchey for legal services.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to incorporate the town of Jakin.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

A bill for the better organization, discipline, and regulation of the volunteer forces of the State.

Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill to regulate all infantry and cavalry companies of the Georgia volunteers and Georgia volunteers, colored, in this State.

Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill to amend an act to provide for the appointment of auditors, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to prevent the taking of fish with a seine in the waters of Tallulah river and its tributaries.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

A bill to compel any person who sells or offers for sale in the county of Liberty any beef pork, or mutton to exhibit the ears of the animal killed, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to allow affidavits to foreclose liens to be made before any officer authorized to administer oaths.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to prohibit the operation of opium joints in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to provide for official survey of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to require all teachers in the common schools of this State to be examined and licensed, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to make penal prize-fighting in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within certain limits of the depot on the Atlanta and Richmond Air Line Railroad at Duluth.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the superior court of Pulaski county.

Also, a bill to amend an act to amend an act to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors at Trion Factory, etc.

Also, a bill to provide for the appointment of a clerk of the county court of Effingham county.

A resolution requesting the Governor to pay certain coupons of the Northeastern Railroad.

Also, a resolution for the relief of John M. Williams of Catoosa county.

Also, a resolution for the relief of the Brunswick Street Railroad Company, etc.

A bill to vest the management of all jails and persons confined therein to the county commissioners of roads and revenues.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Shellman.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to appropriate to the trustees of the University of Georgia the sum of \$25,000.00, to be used in the construction and furnishing additional buildings for the Georgia Normal and Industrial College.

Also, a bill to prohibit the levying and collecting, by any incorporated city, town, or village in this State, of any license or tax on any traveling salesman for the taking of orders for the sale of goods, etc.

Also, a bill to amend an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the several acts incorporating the city of Forsyth.

Also, a bill to amend an act to establish a city court in the county of Clarke, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 6 of an act to carry into effect the act amending part of section 1 of article 7 of the Constitution of this State.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 6:30 P. M.

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6:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

The roll-call was, on motion, dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Sheppard, the following resolution of the House was made the special order for to-morrow immediately after the reading of the Journal, to wit:

A resolution to authorize the Treasurer of this State to transfer on the books of his office from the military fund of 1894 to the military fund of 1895 the unexpended balance of 1894.



The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill fixing compensation of clerk of general elections.

Also, a bill to amend an act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in Habersham county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the Title Guarantee and Loan Company of Savannah.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Moultrie as the city of Moultrie, etc.

Also, a bill to establish new terms and regulate the practice of filing, returning, and trying new cases in the city court of Richmond county, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to establish a board of road commissioners, etc., for the county of Bryan.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Locust Grove, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize the mayor and council of the town of Clarkesville to issue bonds, etc.

Also, a bill to amend an act approved December 20, 1893, entitled an act, approved December 29, 1890, fixing the time for holding the superior courts in Rome judicial circuit, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to establish a public school system for the town of Wadley.

Also, a bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Graysville, Catoosa county.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Wilcox county.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Coffee county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Pinehurst, in Dooly county.

Also, a bill to authorize the city of Augusta to extend a ditch beyond the city limits, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners for Fannin county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize and empower the mayor and council of Dahlonega to grant the use of any street to any railroad, etc.

Also, a bill for the relief of the North Georgia Agricultural College, and for other purposes.

The bill of the House to amend the charter of the town of Chickamauga, in Walker county, was read the second time and recommitted.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills and recommend they do pass, the proofs being correct, to wit:

A bill to prohibit the manufacture of any kind of spirituous or intoxicating liquors, except domestic wine, in the county of Coweta, and to prescribe a penalty for the same.

Also, a bill to amend the various acts chartering the city of Conyers, so as to authorize the authorities of said city to establish and maintain waterworks and electric lights, etc.

The committee recommend that the following House bills do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to consolidate,

amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Jakin, in Early county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the Senate by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county so far as the same applies to the county of Gwinnett.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Gwinnett county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the Union Loan and Trust Company.

The House has also passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill making an appropriation to purchase an arithmometer and a Smith Premier typewriter for the treasury department.

Also, a bill to amend an act to authorize issuance of circulating notes to the banks and banking associations of this State.

Also, a bill to amend section 943(a) of the Code to add Statesboro and Toccoa to the list of State depositions.

Also, a bill to provide who may redeem real estate sold at tax-sales.

The House has also adopted the following resolution:

A resolution to pay J. R. Daniel and William Bridges for the years 1893 and 1894.

Also, a bill to pay the widow of Mr. R. I. G. Blake, of Dade county, pension due her husband for the year 1893.

Also, a resolution to provide for the payment of an additional doorkeeper of the Senate for the session of 1895.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, to wit:

A bill to establish a new charter for the city of Covington, in Newton county.

The bill of the House to amend the charter of Conyers, and a bill to prohibit the manufacture of any kind of spirituous or intoxicating liquors, except domestic wines in the county of Coweta, were read the second time and passed to a third reading.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to provide who may redeem real estate sold at tax-sales.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a resolution to pay John R. Daniel and William Bridges their pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a bill to amend section 943(a) of the Code.

Referred to the Committee on Banks.

Also, a bill to amend an act to authorize issuance of circulating notes to the banks and banking associations of this State, approved December 20, 1893.

Ordered to be engrossed.

Also, a resolution to pay the widow of Mr. R. I. G. Blake, of Dade county, the pension due her husband for 1893.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the Union Loan and Trust Company.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a resolution to provide for the payment of one additional doorkeeper of the Senate for the session 1895.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a bill to establish a system of free schools in the town of Trion.

Referred to the Special Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to make an appropriation for an arithmometer and a Smith Premier typewriter for the treasury department.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a bill to regulate the sale of milk, butter, and cheese, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit :

A bill to require all teachers in the common schools of this State to be examined and licensed before they shall

teach, notwithstanding that they have diplomas from any of the colleges in this State.

Also, a bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend the school laws of this State by providing that the accounts of the board of education shall be paid upon the approval of the ordinary or county school commissioner, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

W C. BEEKS, Chairman.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that it do pass :

A bill to appropriate money to the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following House bill do pass as amended :

A bill to appropriate to the trustees of the University of Georgia the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following House bill do not pass :

A bill to repeal an act to make permanent the income of the University of Georgia, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House resolutions, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass :

A resolution for the relief of Mrs. Julia A. Knight,

widow, and Mrs. Susan E. Massey, widow, both of Gwinnett county.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Jane Sanders.

Also, a resolution to relieve the Atlanta and Chattahoochee Railway Company and the Collins Park and Belt Railway Company from penalty for not returning taxes.

Also, a resolution to pay George B. Whitaker back pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

Also, a resolution to appropriate the sum of \$1,800 as compensation to be paid the special commissioners for the adjudication of controversies affecting the Western and Atlantic Railway, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolutions do pass as amended :

A resolution to appropriate the sum of \$500 to paint the dome and repair the roof of the capitol building.

Also, a resolution to pay the per diem and expenses of the Joint Committee of the General Assembly appointed at the session of 1894 to examine the work of the code commissioners.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolution be read second time and recommitted to Finance Committee :

A resolution for the relief of John Evett and others of Catoosa county.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

Mr. Sheppard made the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Senate Military Committee have under consideration House bill No. 258, a bill for the better organization, dis-

discipline and regulation of the volunteer forces of the State, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, House bill No. 649, which is a bill to be entitled an act to require all infantry and cavalry companies of the Georgia volunteers and Georgia volunteers, colored, in this State to be attached to one of the present existing regiments or battalions of the State, and for other purposes, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

W W SHEPPARD, Chairman.

Mr. Long, chairman Committee on Banks, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bill, by Mr. Broyles of Fulton, No. 245, which they recommend do not pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 21, 1891, prescribing the method of granting charters to banking companies.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

Mr. Osborne, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass :

A bill to repeal an act granting right of way to the Cin-



cinnati Southern Railway where its route adjoins that of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, approved October 8, 1879.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolutions do pass :

A resolution authorizing an agreement to be made with the city of Atlanta affecting the use of Wall street.

Also, a resolution ratifying and confirming provisional settlements made by the Governor and Attorney-General, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

W W OSBORNE, Chairman.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a system of free schools in the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to regulate the sale of milk, butter, and cheese in this State and to provide for a penalty for the violation of the same.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to provide for a change of the names and principal offices of banking and other companies.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend an act to amend, consolidate, and codify the several acts incorporating the city of Forsyth.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 29, nays 0.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A resolution authorizing an agreement to be made with the city of Atlanta affecting the use of Wall street.

Also, a resolution ratifying and confirming provisional settlements made by the Governor and Attorney-General, etc.

Also, a bill to repeal an act granting right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railway where its route adjoins that of the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

Also, a bill to appropriate \$1,800 to the special commis-

sioners for the adjudication of controversies affecting the Western and Atlantic Railroad, etc., and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution appropriating the sum of \$500 to paint the dome of the Capitol and repair the roof of the Capitol building.

Also, a resolution to pay the per diem and expenses of the Joint Committee of the General Assembly appointed at the session of 1894 to examine the work of the Code commissioners.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Jane Everett and others of Catoosa county.

Also, a bill to relieve the Atlanta and Chattahoochee Railway Company and the Collins Park and Belt Railway Company.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to return to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do not pass, to wit :

House bill No. 232, by Mr. Polhill of Bibb, to be entitled an act to amend section 3888 of the Code of 1882.

Also, the following House bills, which they direct me to return to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

House bill No. 474, by Mr. Willingham of Monroe, to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 19, 1891, etc.

Also, House bill No. 568, by Mr. Pitman of Troup, to

be entitled an act to make penal the offense of hindering, obstructing, or interfering with officers, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Cumming, chairman *pro tem.* of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

Joint resolution No. 110, by Mr. Gray of Catoosa, revoking ceded rights to the United States, etc.

Also, joint resolution No. 139, by Mr. Meadow of Madison, correcting House bill No. 397 by amending the title, etc.

Also, House bill No. 295, by Mr. Perkins of Habersham, to be entitled an act to authorize the proper county authorities of the border counties of this State to co-operate with the proper authorities of the adjacent States in building and keeping up bridges, etc.

Also, House bill No. 402, by Mr. Fogarty of Richmond, to be entitled an act to authorize the republication of Georgia Reports from the 77th to 83d, etc.

Also, House bill No. 435, by Mr. Fullwood of Polk, to amend an act to fix the time for holding the courts in the various counties composing the Tallapoosa circuit, etc.

Also, House bill No. 467, by Mr. Awtry of Cobb, to be entitled an act to prohibit the operation of opium joints, etc.

Also, House bill No. 542, by Mr. Moore of Bulloch, to

be entitled an act to amend an act to provide for the appointment of auditors, etc.

Also, House bill No. 739, by Mr. Bailey of Spalding, to be entitled an act to require Spalding county to pay the officers of court the costs now allowed by law in each case convicted and worked in the chain-gang, etc.

They have also had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

House bill No. 503, by Mr. Awtry of Cobb, to be entitled an act to make penal prize-fighting, etc.

Also, House bill No. 518, by Mr. Farmer of Coweta, to be entitled an act to allow affidavits to foreclose liens to be made before any officer authorized to administer oaths, etc.

Also, House bill No. 604, by Mr. Little of Muscogee, to be entitled an act to amend section 1855 of the Code, etc.

Also, House bill No. 718, by Mr. Battle of Muscogee, to be entitled an act to provide for official surveys of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

BRYAN CUMMING, Chairman *pro tem*.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the town of Cairo, in the county of Thomas.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the resolution correcting House bill No. 397

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 1675(a) of the Code.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to fix the time of electing the mayor and council of the town of Decatur.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the House to repeal an act for protection of fish in the waters of Berrien county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to repeal so much of the act creating a board of commissioners for the county of DeKalb as limits the compensation of the clerk thereof to a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to authorize and empower the mayor and council of Decatur, Ga., to provide for registration and license of every trade and business carried on in said city.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to limit the jurisdiction of the city court of DeKalb county in civil cases to amounts exceeding one hundred dollars.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the Senate to incorporate the town of Battle Hill.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the act for Troup county, so as to elect commissioners at general elections.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Braswell, in Paulding county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 4928 of the Code.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 31, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to amend the general tax act of 1895-96, to



change the license tax on daguerrean, ambrotype, photographic, and similar artists.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Catoosa.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Banks on the bill of the House to amend an act to incorporate the Savannah Bank and Trust Company.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to remove obstructions of all kinds from the running streams of Madison county, and for other purposes.

Mr. Bush, chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend be read the second time and recommitted to this committee, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to remove obstructions of all

kinds from the running streams of Madison county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem*.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to amend an act to establish a system of public schools in the town of Quitman, approved December 26, 1888, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the city of Cordele, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report, recommending the passage of the bill with amendments, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage as amended, there were yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to require Spalding county to pay the officers of court the amount now allowed by law in each case convicted and worked in the chain-gang of said county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to authorize the trustees of the United Freewill Baptists of Columbus to sell certain lands.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the Senate to repeal the charter of the city of Manchester, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 30, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to prevent the procurement of consignments of farm, orchard, and dairy products to parties who fail to make proper returns arising from the sale thereof, making it a misdemeanor.

The Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock P. M.

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11 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

The call of the roll was, on motion, dispensed with.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to regulate practice in the courts of this State.

The House has also adopted the following resolutions of the House, as follows:

A resolution to allow the duplicate specimens of wood, minerals, etc., of the State to be loaned to museums or other scientific institutions.

Also, a resolution to pay W. C. Shore, of Habersham, pension for \$50.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to establish a school for colored persons as a branch of the State University, to be called the State Industrial College for Colored Persons.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to amend an act approved November 26, 1890, entitled an act to establish a school for colored people in this State.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, a bill to regulate practice in the courts of this State.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to prevent the procurements of consignment of farm, orchard, and dairy products to parties who fail to account to the rightful owner, etc., and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, a bill to amend the general tax act for 1895 and 1896, approved December 18, 1894.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, a resolution to allow the duplicate specimens of woods, minerals, etc., in possession of the State to be loaned to museums and other scientific institutions.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, a resolution to appropriate \$50 to pay the pension of W. C. Shore.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to amend an act approved October 19, 1891, to establish city courts, etc., in counties having a population of 15,000 or more, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize the republication of the Georgia Reports from the 77th to the 83d inclusive.

Also, a bill to authorize the proper authorities of border counties of this State to co-operate with the proper authorities in adjacent States in building bridges, etc.

Also, a bill to amend section 1855 of the Code.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

## SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Tuesday, December 10, 1895, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wade,
Harrison,	Norman,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Osborne,	Williams,
Keen,	Ryals,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d, Storey.

Mr. Harris, of the Twelfth district, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. The reading of the Journal was, on motion, dispensed with.

Mr. Mercer offered a joint resolution providing for a joint committee to inquire and report upon expediency of extending the present session, which was read and agreed to.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Military Affairs on the resolution of the House authorizing the Treasurer of this State to transfer on the books of his office, from the military fund of 1894 to the military fund of 1895, the unexpended balance of 1894, amounting to the sum of \$623.11.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Sanford,
Bush,	Little,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Whitley,
Keen,	Roberts,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Story,
Craig,	Morton,	Wade,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Osborne,	

Yeas 33. Not voting 11.

So the resolution was concurred in by a constitutional majority.

Mr. Long, chairman Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bill, by Mr. Moore of Bulloch, No. 717, which they recommend do not pass:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 943(a) of the Code of Georgia of 1882, providing for the selection by the Governor of Georgia of banks in certain cities therein named, to be known and designated as State depositories, so as to add to the cities named in said section and the acts

amendatory thereof, the city of Statesboro, in the county of Bulloch and Toccoa in the county of Habersham.

Also, a bill, by Mr. Jenkins of Putnam No. 750, which they recommend do pass, to amend an act to authorize issuance of circulating notes to the banks and the banking associations of this State, approved December 20, 1893.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Public Property on the bill of the House to vest the management and care of all jails and persons confined therein under the control of the county commissioners of roads and revenues, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with an amendment, which was adopted, and report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 3888 of the Code.

The report was amended, on motion of Mr. Cumming, by striking from the caption the word “interrogations” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “interrogatories.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the reconsidered resolution of the House to authorize the State Treasurer to pay John Faver for services, etc.

The report was agreed to.



The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Little,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brand,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Brown,	McGregor,	Starr,
Craig,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Johnson,	Norman,	Wade,
Keen,	Ryals,	Whitley.
Lewis,	Roberts,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harris of the 3d,	Story,
Bussey,	Long,	Williams,
Cumming,	Osborne,	Mr. President.

Yeas 35. Not voting 9.

So the reconsidered resolution was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Cumming, a committee of five was appointed on the order of business. The President appointed the same committee of yesterday

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to appropriate to the trustees of the University of Georgia the sum of \$25,000.00 to be used in the construction of additional buildings and furnishing the same for the Georgia Normal and Industrial College, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Little,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Starr,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Upchurch,
Brand,	McGregor,	Wilson,
Brown,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Cumming,	Morton,	Wade,
Craig,	Norman,	Whitley,
Harris of the 12th,	Osborne,	Williams.
Harris of the 22d,	Ryals,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Johnson,	Keen,	McGarrity.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Sharpe,
Harrison,	Storey,	Tatum,
Long,	Snead,	Mr. President.

Yeas 32. Nays 3. Not voting 9.

So the bill was passed, as amended, by a constitutional majority.

Mr. Lewis, chairman Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration bill No. 421, entitled an act to appropriate money to pay such ex-Confederate soldiers as are unable to provide for themselves, and recommend it do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 6 of an act to carry into effect the act amending paragraph 1 of section 1 of article 7 of the Constitution of this State, by providing

an annual pension to such ex-Confederate soldiers as are unable to make a living for themselves.

The report recommended the passage of the bill with certain amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage as amended, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Little,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Boyd,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Brand,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Ryals,	Williams.
Keen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brown,	McGregor,	Snead,
Cumming,	McClure,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Storey,	Mr. President.
Long,		

Yeas 31. Not voting 13.

So the bill was passed, as amended, by a constitutional majority.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the House bill to amend an act, approved October 21, 1891, prescribing the method of granting charters to banking companies, was recommitted.

Mr. Lewis offered a resolution to authorize the Governor to borrow money to supply deficiencies, etc., which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me, as chairman, to report that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of Laurens county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Hapeville, Ga.

Also, a bill to establish a system of free schools in the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to fix the official bond of the receiver of tax returns in Bibb county.

Also, a bill to fix the compensation of the two bailiffs of the second division city court of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Habersham.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman *pro tem.*

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Harden, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to amend an act consolidating and codifying the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Camilla.

Also, a bill to repeal an act authorizing the ordinary of

Spalding county to hold court other than at the courthouse.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Coffee county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Cordele.

Also, a bill to amend an act to elect commissioners of Troup county by the people.

Also, a bill to authorize the trustees of the United Free-will Baptist Church of Columbus to make sale of certain property.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Alto.

Also, a bill to provide for the change of names of officers and place of business of banking, railroad, insurance, express, telegraph, etc.

Also, a bill to amend the Constitution so as to provide for additional judges of supreme court, etc.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to House resolution, to wit :

A resolution for the relief of J. S. McGahee of McDuffie county.

The House has also adopted the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution for the relief of J. D. Laing, tax-collector of Terrell county.

By resolution of Mr. Bush, the Hon. A. L. Harris and Col. Sid Nussbaum, of the county of Decatur, were invited to seats in the Senate during their stay in this city.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to change the county site of Fannin county, in the State of Georgia, from Mor-

ganton to Blue Ridge, in said county, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Bush,	Little,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Craig,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 3d,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wade,
Harrison,	Norman,	Whitley,
Keen,	Osborne,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brown,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Cumming,	Storey,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Snead,	

Yeas 36. Not voting 8.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

Mr. Beeks, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit :

A bill to amend an act approved November 26, 1890, entitled an act to establish a school for colored persons in

this State, by adding "to be called the State Industrial College for Colored Persons."

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER C. BEEKS, Chairman.

Mr. Broughton, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration House bill, by Mr. Bailey of Spalding, to be entitled an act to regulate the sale of milk, butter, and cheese, and fixing a penalty for the unlawful sale, or offering for sale, of any watered or adulterated or unwholesome milk, and imitations or adulterations of butter and cheese ; and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, a bill, by Mr. Gray of Houston, to be entitled an act to prevent the procurement of consignments of farms, orchards, and dairy products to parties who fail to account to the rightful owner of such products for the proceeds arising from the sale thereof, and for other purposes ; and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted.

Also, a bill, by Mr. Law of Liberty, to be entitled an act to compel all persons who sell, or offer to sell, in the county of Liberty, any beef, pork, or mutton, to exhibit the ears of the animal killed and state the brand, to prescribe a penalty for the same, and for other purposes ; and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit :

*Mr. President :*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted to that committee :

A bill to provide for and authorize the payment of pensions to certain widows of Confederate soldiers.

Also, a bill to appropriate fourteen hundred dollars to the Georgia School for the Deaf, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to make an appropriation for an arithmometer and a Smith Premier typewriter for the treasury department of the State of Georgia.

Also, a bill to amend the general tax act for 1895 and 1896, approved December 18, 1894, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolutions be read the second time and recommitted :

A resolution providing for the payment to the city of Atlanta of the State's proportion of the expenses of paving West Cain street, and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution to pay Mrs. Arthenia A. Sailors, widow of John B. Sailors, fifty dollars, one year's pension due



John B. Sailors at the time of his death, and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution to purchase a portrait of the Hon. Robert Toombs.

Also, a resolution to pay the widow of R. I. G. Blake, of Dade county, the pension due her husband for the year 1893.

Also, a resolution to authorize the Governor and Attorney-General to make a final settlement with W. P. McClatchey of Tennessee for legal services to the State.

Also, a resolution to pay Thomas R. Daniel and William Bridges their pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

Also, a resolution appropriating one hundred dollars to pay expenses of Special Investigating Committee.

Also, a resolution to make an appropriation to pay the clerk of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, sitting during recess.

Also, a resolution to pay M. A. Hardin, Clerk, and C. S. Northen, Assistant Secretary, for preparing and mailing a statement of the business to each member of the General Assembly.

Also, a resolution to provide for the payment of one additional doorkeeper of the Senate for the session of 1895. and to make an appropriation therefor.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to make an appropriation to the State Memorial Board for the purpose of marking by monument, or monuments, etc., the position, or positions, occupied by Georgia troops in the battle of Chickamauga, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and, on the question of its passage, as amended, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Long,	Sanford,
Bush,	Little,	Snead,
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Monro,	Starr,
Craig,	Morton,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Wade,
Keen,	Roberts,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.

Bussey,	McMillan,	Storey,
Brown,	Mercer,	Upchurch,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Whitley,
Harris of the 3d,	McGarrity,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Osborne,	

Yeas 30. Not voting 14.

So the bill was passed, as amended, by a constitutional majority.

Mr. Bush, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, which they recommend do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to remove obstructions of all kind from the running streams of Madison county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. BUSH, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House appropriating the sum of \$500 to paint the dome and repair the roof of the Capitol building.

The committee reported in favor of the resolution, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and, on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Bush,	Long,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Little,	Sharpe,
Craig,	McGregor,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 22d,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harrison,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Johnson,	McClure,	Wade,
Keen,	Norman,	Williams.
Lewis,	Ryals,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Storey,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brand,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Brown,	Osborne.	Whitley,
Cumming,	Roberts,	Mr. President.

Yeas 26. Not voting 18.

So the resolution was concurred in as amended.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to pay the per diem and expenses of the Joint Committee of the General Assembly appointed at the session of 1894 to examine the work of the Code commissioners.

The committee reported in favor of the resolution, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and, on the question of concurring in the same, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Johnson,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Keen,	Roberts,
Bush,	Lewis,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Long,	Snead,
Boyd,	Little,	Starr,
Brown,	Lumpkin,	Upchurch,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Wilson,
Craig,	McGregor,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wade,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Williams.
Harrison,	Osborne,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brand,	McGarrity,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 3d,	McClure,	Tatum,
Mercer,	Sheppard,	Whitley,
Morton,	Storey	Mr. President.

Yeas 32. Not voting 12.

So the resolution was concurred in as amended.

The Senate went into executive session and again returned to open session.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the Senate by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to amend an act relative to chartering or incorporating banking companies by the Secretary of State.

Also, a bill to confer on judges of the superior and city courts of the State jurisdiction to hear motions for new trials, etc., in vacation.

Also, a bill to amend section 21 of an act approved December 18, 1893, relative to granting corporate powers by the Secretary of State to insurance companies.

Also, a bill to amend section 752, so as to provide additional privileges to minors.

Also, a bill to provide the mode of changing venue in criminal cases.

Also, a bill to repeal an act regulating court contracts.

Also, a bill to prescribe the method of serving bills of exceptions upon non-residents.

Also, a bill to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds and negotiate their sale to pay the public debt maturing July 1, 1896.

The Senate took up the Report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 534 of the Code as amended by an act approved October 19, 1891, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 24, nays 0.

The bill of the House to repeal an act granting right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railway where the route adjoins the Western and Atlantic Railway, approved October 8, 1879, was recommitted.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to fix and define the

liability of receivers, trustees, assignees, and other persons operating railroads in this State, etc., for injuries and damages to employees caused by the negligence of coemployees, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Moultrie as the city of Moultrie, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report recommended the passage of the bill, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the town of Locust Grove.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on motion, laid on the table.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to authorize the proper authorities of border counties of this State to co-operate with the proper authorities of border counties in adjacent States in building and keeping in repair bridges over border or boundary rivers, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to make the personal earnings of a married woman, when working for any one other than her husband, her separate property and not liable to the debts of her husband.

The committee reported in favor of its passage.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Harrison,	Wilson,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Wade,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Whitley,
Craig,	McGregor,	Williams.
Harris of the 22d,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Bush,	Long,	Roberts,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Brown,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Starr,
Johnson,	Norman,	Wilcox.
Keen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	McClure,	Snead,
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Tatum,
Little,	Sheppard,	Upchurch,
Morton,	Storey,	Mr. President.

Yeas 13. Nays 19. Not voting 12.

Mr. Brand, chairman of the Corporation Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report back, with recommendation that they do pass:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the Union Loan and Trust Company.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Birmingham, in the county of Milton.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the various acts incorporating the city of Forsyth.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Graysville.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Chickamauga.

Respectfully submitted.

C. H. BRAND, Chairman.

Mr. Lewis submitted the following report :

*Mr President :*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration the following bills, and recommend they be read the second time and recommitted :

Bill No. 749, entitled an act to authorize the issuance of warrants on the treasury to pay pensions.

Also, No. 61, a resolution to appropriate \$50.00 to pay pension of W C. Shore of Habersham county.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The bill of the House to define the liabilities of trustees and assignees of corporations owning or operating property



in this State was recommitted to the Committee on the General Judiciary.

The following bill and resolution of the House were read a second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A bill to authorize the issuance of warrants on the treasury of this State to pay the pensions of ex-Confederate soldiers, and for other purposes.

A resolution to appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to pay the pension of W C. Shore of Habersham county.

By resolution of Mr. Brand, the Hon. R. D. Smith, ex-State Senator from the county of Crawford, was invited to a seat in the Senate during his stay in this city.

Mr. Tatum offered a joint resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to welcome the citizens of Chattanooga visiting the Exposition, which was read and agreed to.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the House to amend section 943(a) of the Code.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was amended by inserting the word "Assembly" after the word "General" in the seventh line of first section.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to change the time of holding the spring term of Dawson superior court.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to authorize the republication of the Georgia Reports from the 77th to the 83d inclusive.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Keen,	Ryals,
Bush,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Bussey,	Long,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Little,	Snead,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Starr,
Craig,	McGregor,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	Monro,	Wade,
Harrison,	McGarritty,	Williams.
Johnson,	Norman,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Morton,	Tatum,
Brown,	McClure,	Upchurch.
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 12th,	Sheppard,	Whitley,
McMillan,	Storey,	Mr. President.

Yeas 29. Not voting 15.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

The Senate adjourned until 3:30 o'clock P. M.

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3:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the acting President *pro tem.*, Mr. Starr, in the chair.

The roll call was, on motion, dispensed with.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit :

A resolution appropriating \$100.00 to pay expenses of special investigating committee.

A resolution to pay John R. Daniel and William Bridges their pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

A resolution to authorize the Governor and Attorney-General to make a final settlement with W. P. McClatchy.

A resolution to pay the widow of R. I. G. Blake, of Dade county, the pension due her husband for the year 1893.

A resolution to pay M. A. Hudson and C. S. Northen for preparing and mailing a statement of the business pending to each member of the General Assembly.

A resolution to make an appropriation to pay the clerk of the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

A bill to appropriate \$1,400.00 to the Georgia School for the Deaf.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Hapeville.

Also, a bill to prohibit the operation of opium joints in this State.

Also, a bill to provide for the payment of pensions to certain widows, etc.

Also, a bill to make prize-fighting penal, etc.

Also, a bill to allow affidavits to foreclose liens to be made before any officer authorized to administer oaths.

Also, a bill to amend the general tax act for 1893 and 1894.

A resolution providing for the payment to the city of Atlanta of the State's proportion of the expenses of paving West Cain street, etc.

A resolution to purchase a portrait of the Hon. Robert Toombs.

A resolution to pay Mrs. Arthenia A. Sailors \$50.00 and Mrs. Ellen McGovern \$100.00 as pensions.

Also, a bill to provide for official surveys of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, etc.

Also, a bill to make an appropriation for an arithmometer and a Smith premier typewriter for the treasury department.

A resolution for the payment of one additional door-keeper of the Senate for the session of 1895, etc.

Mr. Long, chairman Committee on Banks, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bill by Mr. Broyles of Fulton, No. 245, which we recommend do pass, to wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved October 21, 1891, prescribing the method of granting charters to banking companies.

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. LONG, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr. President :*

The house has concurred in the Senate amendment to the following bill of the House :

A bill making an appropriation for monuments of Confederate soldiers buried in Chickamauga National Park.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution authorizing the Governor to accept certain historical publications from Gen. James D. McBride.

Also, a resolution (which was lost) appointing a committee from the Senate and House to investigate the convict camps of this State.

The House has also passed the following bills of the Senate, to wit :

A bill that a master may not contract with a servant exempting himself from liability for injuries sustained.

A bill to amend section 4721 of the Code.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit :

A resolution for the relief of Mrs. Julia A. Knight and Mrs. Susan E. Massey.

A resolution for the relief of Jane Sanders.

A resolution to pay George B. Whitaker back pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

A bill to amend an act to establish a school for colored people.

A bill to appropriate money to the State lunatic asylum.

A bill to require all infantry and cavalry companies of the Georgia volunteers, etc., to be attached to one of the present existing regiments or battalions of the State, and for other purposes.

A bill to abolish the city court of Laurens county.

A bill to establish a system of free schools for the town of Trion.

A bill to amend an act to amend the school laws of this State.

A bill to incorporate the town of Jakin.

A bill to amend an act to authorize issuance of circulating notes to the banks and banking associations of this State.

A bill to amend an act to provide for the appointment of auditors, etc.

A bill to fix the compensation of the two bailiffs of the second division of the city court of Atlanta.

A resolution to allow the duplicate specimens of woods and minerals in possession of the State to be loaned to museums or other scientific institutions.

A bill to fix the official bond of the receiver of tax returns in Bibb county.

A bill to amend the charter of the Union Loan and Trust Company.

A bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Habersham, and for other purposes.

A bill for the better organization, discipline, and regulation of the volunteer forces of the State, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend an act to fix the time for holding the courts in the various counties.

A bill to compel all persons who sell, or offer to sell, in the county of Liberty, any beef, pork, or mutton, to exhibit the ears of the animal killed and state the brand, to prescribe a penalty for the same, and for other purposes.

A bill to regulate the sale of milk, butter, and cheese, a penalty for the unlawful sale, or offering for sale of any watered or adulterated or unwholesome milk, and imitation or adulteration of butter and cheese.

Mr. Broughton made the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration House resolution, by Mr. Gray of Catoosa, to allow the duplicate specimens of woods, minerals, etc., in possession of the State to be loaned to museums or other scientific institutions, and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same be concurred in and that it do pass.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

The following bills and resolutions of the House were read the second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to regulate practice in the courts of this State.

A bill to amend an act prescribing the method of granting charters to banking companies.

A bill to prevent the procurement of consignments of farm, orchard, and dairy products to parties who fail to account to the rightful owner, etc.

A bill to provide who may redeem real estate sold at tax sales.

And a bill to make penal the obstructing or hindering or interfering with officers in the discharge of their duties in executing sentence or order of court, etc.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the Senate, by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to regulate practice in the superior courts in cases now or hereafter pending.

Also, a bill to provide for the application of all public school funds to the Douglasville College.

Also, a bill to amend section 943(b) of the Code of 1882.

Also, the following bill, as amended :

A bill to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities in this State.

The House has adopted the following resolution :

A resolution to allow the postmistress of the House three days' pay after adjournment, to send the mail to members.

Also, the following bill of the Senate:

A bill to amend an act, approved December 6, 1880, making it the duty of the clerks of the city and superior courts to select a judge should the parties litigant refuse to agree in certain cases.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following Senate bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit :

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Carrollton.

Also, a bill to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton.

Also, a bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton.

Also, a bill to amend an act amending section 4625(c) of the Code.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :



*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit :

House bill No. 379, by Mr. Fogarty of Richmond, to be entitled an act to prohibit the levying and collecting by any incorporated city, etc., of any license or tax on any traveling salesmen, etc.

Also, House bill No. 474, by Mr. Willingham of Monroe, to amend an act, approved October 19, 1891, establishing city courts, etc.

Also, the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass as amended, to wit :

House bill No. 568, by Mr. Pittman of Troup, to be entitled an act to make penal the offense of hindering, obstructing, or interfering with officers, etc.

Also, House bill No. 448, by Mr. Fouché of Floyd, to be entitled an act to regulate practice in the courts of this State, etc.

Also, the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it be read a second time, and recommitted, to wit :

House bill No. 493, by Mr. Fouché of Floyd, to be entitled an act to provide who may redeem real estate, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

N E. HARRIS, Chairman.

Mr. Sanford, chairman of the Committee on Penitentiary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Penitentiary, through sub-committees, have visited and inspected the different convict camps throughout the State, and respectfully submit the following reports touching the condition of the camps and the convicts confined therein.

We found Worth county camp, known as No. 3, in a healthy locality, but we found the convicts in this camp poorly clad, and the sleeping-apartments were not heated by stoves or otherwise, rendering them most uncomfortable during the winter months. There were 51 convicts confined in this camp.

We found 60 convicts in Camp No. 2, in Worth county. There was some sickness in this camp, but the stockade was by far the best arranged of any we visited.

At the camps at Minneola, in Lowndes county, and Amoskeag, in Dodge county, we found 108 convicts. The grounds about the stockade at Minneola were not as cleanly as we thought they ought to be kept. We also found at this camp that the white and colored convicts were required to sleep in the same apartments. We suggest that this be taken under consideration by the penitentiary officials, and separate apartments be ordered for the whites and colored.

We found at the camp at Amoskeag, Dodge county, an old negro convict named Mark Chappell, sent from the county of Putnam, who seems to be insane. We recommend that his condition be inquired into by the authorities, with a view to have him pardoned or committed to the insane asylum, where he can be properly cared for and treated. The sanitary condition of this camp is generally good, but we think the vessels used by the convicts at night should not be allowed to remain in the building. We think some other arrangement should be adopted, and

the vessels kept beneath the floor, from whence they could be removed daily.

The sub-committee appointed to visit the camps at Smithsonia, in Oglethorpe county, and Heardmont, in Elbert county, visited these camps, and reported that in both places the convicts were found in good health, comfortably clothed, and well fed. The laws governing penitentiary convicts, as far as the committee could determine or learn, are carried out as far as practicable at these two places.

We find the camp at Chattahoochee, in Fulton county, in good condition, except that the bunks upon which the prisoners sleep are too narrow. Two convicts are made to sleep together on these narrow bunks, which do not afford enough room for them to rest comfortably during the night after going through the hard labors of the day. Your committee, believing that these convicts should be better provided for in this regard, recommend that the lessees be required to cause the bunks to be removed, and others, from one to one and one-half feet wider, be put in their stead, which we think is greatly needed.

At Camp Bartow we find the convicts are supplied with only one suit of clothes. We get this statement from the convicts directly, in the presence of the captain and keeper of the camp, which statement was not denied. We also found some convicts at this camp without suitable shoes. Some had on shoes nearly or quite worn out, with no socks to wear. We recommend that the lessees of the convicts at this camp be required to promptly provide a sufficient supply of suitable clothing and shoes for the prisoners under their care, as required by law and the rules governing the care of convicts.

At Amoskeag camp there is confined a convict named S. J. Bullard, sent from Appling county. His condition

excites sympathy, and we recommend that the authorities inquire into his case, with a view of securing him a pardon. We also find at Amoskeag a man named James Camwell, from Jones county. We understand another convict has confessed to the crime for which Camwell is being punished.

We visited Camp Echo, in Bulloch county, and found the same in good condition. We think the sanitary arrangements of this camp especially good. We find the convicts properly clothed and fed, and, as far as we can judge, humanely treated.

We found Camp Adrian, in Emanuel county, in good condition, the convicts well cared for in every way, and we think the lessees are discharging their duties.

The camps at Cole City and Crawfish Springs, in Dade and Walker counties, were visited. The health of the convicts is very good. During the past twelve months ten deaths have occurred out of nearly 500 prisoners. At the time of our visit there were only five patients in the hospital, all of whom were but slightly indisposed. The convicts seem to be well fed, well clothed and properly treated. But we desire to call the attention of the prison authorities to one mode of inflicting punishment sometimes resorted to at this camp, that of "ducking." It is claimed by the authorities in charge of the camp that it is not as severe a punishment as whipping. We recommend that the principal keeper make an investigation and ascertain if that method of punishment is authorized by law.

At Crawfish Springs there were 180 convicts. Only four deaths occurred at this camp during the past year.

The camps in Charlton county, known as camps Maxwell, Smith and Hendrix, were all found in good condition. We find the convicts in all of the places properly cared for, as the law provides, well fed, well clothed, and are given

good medical attention when needed. There were 82 convicts at Maxwell, 112 at Smith camp, and 51 at Hendrix. There was only one sick at Hendrix, two sick at Smith's, and none sick at Maxwell.

At Camp Alexanderville there are 143 convicts. Your committee found much to condemn at this camp. Six convicts were sick and some of them crippled ; some with toes cut off, and one with a leg broken. We are quite sure it was the fault of the superintendent that this convict's limb was broken. We also found the stockade at Alexander's ville in bad condition. It is located in a low, flat place, with a poor roof. The walls are also very open, rendering the building uncomfortable in every way. We found some convicts working almost without any shirts on, and some with very poor shoes, and all of them without socks.

We also found the feeding and cooking departments at Alexanderville in miserable condition. The convicts are fed principally upon cornbread. The meal is not sifted, and the bran is cooked in the bread. It is badly cooked the outside being burned and the inside raw or half cooked. The meat furnished, in our judgment, is not given in sufficient quantity. We suggest that the lessees be required to procure suitable stores for cooking the rations furnished the convicts. The cooking is now done in the open air, in ovens, and over fires built of pine wood, which render it difficult to cook the food properly.

The convicts at this camp are worked from ten to eleven hours daily, which they think reasonable. They also receive proper medical attention.

Your committee, in concluding the special reports, would call the attention of the Senate and the people of the State to the shameful treatment and management of the State convicts by certain of the lessee companies. In certain camps the convicts are provided with only one suit of cloth-

ing, no socks, and shoes that are of little protection to the feet. In other camps the sanitary and other arrangements are a disgrace to the State officials whose duty it is to see that the rules governing the same are carried out. When it is considered that all the convicts are hired at less than one dollar per month per convict, and the State pays out annually over one-half of the income derived from said hire to penitentiary officials, such neglect of duty, on the part of those charged to see that the rules and regulations governing the State convicts are enforced, is, in the opinion of your committee, wholly inexcusable.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

Two hundred copies of the foregoing report were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities of this State was taken up and concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend an act to consolidate, amend, and codify the several acts incorporating the city of Forsyth, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to provide for the appointment of a clerk of the county court of Effingham county.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 7:30 o'clock P. M.

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7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

The roll-call was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to establish new terms and to regulate the practice of filing, returning, and trying new cases in the city court of Richmond county, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to authorize the city of Augusta to extend a ditch beyond the corporate limits, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House fixing the pay of clerks of general elections in Pierce county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

At the hour of 8 o'clock P. M. the President announced that the time had arrived for the two Houses to meet in joint session.

Whereupon, the Senate, in a body, preceded by the President and Secretary, repaired to the Hall of Representatives, where, being announced by the doorkeeper, they were received by the House of Representatives standing.

The President took the chair and called the General Assembly to order, causing the Secretary to read the resolution under which the two Houses were convened in joint session, viz.:

A resolution inviting the Hon. F. G. duBignon to address the General Assembly on the political issues of the day.

Mr. duBignon was then introduced by the President and proceeded with his address, at the close of which the joint session was dissolved.

The Senate withdrew to the Senate chamber, and being called to order by the President, adjourned, on motion, until 9:30 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

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SENATE CHAMBER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Wednesday, December 11, 1895, 9:30 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the House.



On the call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names :

Broughton,	Long,	Storey,
Bush,	Little,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Boyd,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Mercer,	Starr,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 3d,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarritty,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	Norman,	Wade,
Harrison,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Keen,	Ryals,	Mr. President.
Lewis,	Sheppard,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Johnson,	Roberts,
Cumming,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Craig,	McClure,	Williams.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. The reading of the same was, on motion, dispensed with.

Mr. Wilson gave notice of his intention to move a reconsideration of so much of the Journal as relates to the failure of the Senate to pass a House bill securing certain earnings of the wife to her own use, free from the debts of her husband, the consideration of which was deferred for the present.

The amendments of the House to the bill of the Senate to provide that a master may not contract with a servant exempting him from liability to the servant for injuries sustained through his negligence, were concurred in.

The senate took up the report of the Committee on Banks on the bill of the House to amend an act, approved October 21, 1891, prescribing the method of granting charters for banking companies.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

Mr. Broughton submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following House bill, by Mr. Gray of Houston, to wit :

To prevent the procurement of consignments of farm, orchard, and dairy products to parties who fail to account to the rightful owner of such products for the proceeds arising from the sale thereof, and they instruct me to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

The bill of the House to prohibit the levying and collecting by any incorporate city, town, or village in this State of any license or tax on any traveling salesman, and for other purposes, which was taken up for a third reading, was laid on the table.

The amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate to amend section 4721 of the Code was amended, on motion of Mr. Brand, as follows :

Amend the House amendment by adding at the end thereof the words: "Said arresting officer being hereby empowered to hold or imprison the defendant long enough to enable him to get ready to carry the prisoner off."

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to fix the time for holding the courts in the various counties, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to regulate practice in the various courts of this State.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Military Affairs on the bill of the House for the better organization, discipline, and regulation of the volunteer forces of the State, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to appropriate \$1,400 to the Georgia School for the Deaf, and for other purposes.

A bill to make an appropriation for an arithmometer and a Smith Premier typewriter for the treasury department of the State of Georgia.

Also, a bill to amend the general tax act for 1895 and 1896, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolutions do pass, to wit :

A resolution to appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to pay the pension of W C. Shore of Habersham county

Also, a resolution to pay Mrs. Arthenia A. Sailors, widow of Jno. B. Sailors, fifty dollars, one year's pension due Jno. B. Sailors at the time of his death, and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution to purchase a portrait of the Hon. Robert Toombs.

Also, a resolution to pay the widow of R. I. G. Blake of Dade county the pension due her husband for the year 1893.

Also, a resolution appropriating one hundred dollars to pay expenses of the Special Investigating Committee.

Also, a resolution to make an appropriation to pay the clerk of the Committee on Privileges and Elections sitting during recess.

Also, a resolution to provide for the payment of one additional doorkeeper of the Senate for the session of 1895, and to make an appropriation therefor.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolution do pass as amended, to wit :

A resolution to pay M. A. Hardin, clerk, and C. S. Northern, assistant secretary, for preparing and mailing a

statement of the business to each member of the General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Brand, the Senate took from the table and put upon its passage the bill of the House to amend an act to incorporate the town of Locust Grove, in Henry county.

This bill was ready for the question of its passage, the report having been agreed to and the bill read the third time. It was passed this day by a vote of yeas 26, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the following resolution of the House, to wit:

A resolution authorizing the Governor to accept certain historical publications from General James D. McBride.

The House has also passed the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to regulate the leasing of penitentiary convicts.

Also, a bill to empower the commissioners of roads and revenues of Chatham county to acquire by purchase or condemnation any road in said county.

Also, a bill to prohibit camp-hunting in Dade county.

Also, a bill to provide for a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Lumpkin county.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Kingston.

Also, a bill to recharter the town of Elberton.

Also, a bill to revise the charter of the town of Bruton.

Also, the following bill, with an amendment, in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Macon.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of Hapeville.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 32, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to prohibit the operation of opium joints in this State.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act, approved October 19, 1891, entitled an act to establish city courts in counties having a population of fifteen thousand or more, etc., and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 32, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on

General Judiciary on the bill of the House to amend an act fixing the time for holding superior courts in the various counties composing the Rome circuit, etc., and for other purposes.

The report, which was favorable, was amended, on motion of Mr. Lumpkin, as follows:

Amend section 1 of the bill by inserting in lieu of the words in said section 1, "beginning with the first day of June, 1896," wherever the same appears, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "beginning immediately upon the passage and approval of this act."

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the House to regulate the sale of milk, butter, and cheese, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The motion of Mr. Wilson to reconsider the lost bill of the House to secure the separate earnings of married women against the debts of their husbands did not prevail.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to appropriate money to the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Little,	Storey,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brown,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Monro,	Starr,
Craigo,	Morton,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Upchurch
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Norman,	Wade,
Keen,	Ryals,	Williams.
Lewis,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Boyd,	McGregor,	Wilson,
Brand,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Johnson,		

Yeas 34. Not voting 10.

So the bill was passed by a constitutional majority.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to appropriate \$1,400 to the Georgia School for the Deaf, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Bush,	Little,	Storey,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Snead,
Craigo,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Johnson,	McClure,	Williams.
Keen,	Norman,	



Those not voting were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Brand,	Osborne,	Wilson,
Brown,	Sheppard,	Whitley,
Harris of the 3d,	Starr,	Mr. President.

Yeas 32. Not voting 12.

So the bill passed by a constitutional majority

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of auditor, etc., and for other purposes.

The report, which was favorable, was amended on motion of Mr. Cumming, as follows:

1. Amend by inserting after the word “fact,” in the seventh line, third paragraph, the following: “and equity cases by the jury when approved by the judge.”

2. Amend by inserting the word “law” after the word “all” in the fourth line, third paragraph.

3. In the fourth line of section 3 strike out the words “except in equitable proceedings.”

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 30, nays 0.

The amendments of the House to the bill of the Senate to amend the charter of the city of Macon, etc., were taken up and concurred in.

Mr. Wilcox, chairman of the Committee on the State of the Republic, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The committee on the State of the Republic have had under consideration the following resolution, which they

direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House resolution No. 31, by Mr. Hurst of Walton, condemning any movement looking to a union of church and State.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE K. WILCOX, Chairman.

Mr. Mercer, chairman of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined the following Senate resolution and direct me to report the same properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House:

A resolution authorizing the Governor to borrow money to supply deficiencies.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. MERCER, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to prohibit the levying and collecting by any incorporate city, town, or village in this State of any license or tax on any traveling salesman, and for other purposes.

Mr. Roberts offered to amend the report of the committee, as follows:

Amend section 1 by adding the following words after the word "sample" and before "where" in line 8, to wit: "to wholesale or retail merchants." Amend caption by inserting same words after "sample" in line 5 and before "where" in line 6.

On this amendment the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.

Beeks,	Lumpkin,	Storey,
Bush,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Wilcox.
Lewis,	Roberts,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Keen,	Norman,
Boyd,	Little,	Snead,
Brown,	McGregor,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Monro,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Whitley,
Johnson,	McClure,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brand,	Long,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Osborne,	Wade,
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.

Yeas 17    Nays 18.    Not voting 9.

So the amendment was lost.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Keen,	Ryals,
Boyd,	Little,	Snead,
Brand,	McGregor,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Monro,	Starr,
Cumming,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Whitley,
Johnson,	Norman,	Williams.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Roberts,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Storey,
Harris of the 22d,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Harrison,	Mercer,	Wilson,
Lewis,	Morton,	Wilcox.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Craig,	Osborne,	Wade,
Bush,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Harris of the 3d,	Upchurch,	

Yeas 21. Nays 15. Not voting 8.

So the bill was lost.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the resolution of the House for the relief of John M. Williams of Catoosa county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the town of Shellman.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills:

A bill to reincorporate the town of Moultrie as the city of Moultrie.

Also, a bill to amend section 943(a) of the Code, adding Blackshear to list of State depositories.

Also, a bill to fix and define the liabilities of receivers, trustees, assignees, and other persons operating railroads in this State.

Also, a bill appropriating \$500.00 to paint the dome and repair the roof of the State capitol.

Also, a bill to amend section 534 of the Code, allowing Confederate soldiers to peddle without license.

Also, a bill to amend section 3888 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to establish a new charter for the town of Statham, in Jackson county.

Also, a bill to amend section 6 of an act amending paragraph 1, section 1, article 7 of the Constitution, providing pension for ex-Confederate soldiers.

The House has refused to concur in the Senate amendment to the following resolution of the House, to wit:

A resolution to pay the per diem and expenses of joint committee to examine the work of Code commissioners.

The House concurs in the first and second amendments and amends the third amendment of the Senate to the following bill of the House, to wit:

A bill to appropriate to the State University \$25,000 for constructing additional buildings and furnishing same.

The House has amended the Senate amendment to the following bill of the House, to wit:

A bill to vest the management of jails in the control of the commissioners of roads and revenues.

The House has adopted the following resolution:

A resolution instructing the fish commissioners to inspect the fishway at Augusta.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary

Committee on the bill of the House to remove all obstructions from the running streams of Madison county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the House to amend an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within certain limits of the depot on the Atlanta and Richmond Air Line Railroad at Duluth.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the Union Loan and Trust Company.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the Senate adhered to the amendment to appropriate \$5,000 to the School of Technology, affixed to a bill to appropriate \$25,000 for the State Normal and Industrial School, etc., and requested a Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses.

As the Committee of Conference on the part of the Sen-

ate, the President appointed Messrs. Harris of the Twenty-second district, Lewis, Starr, Roberts, and Beeks.

Mr. Harris, of the Twenty-second district, moved that the Senate insist on its amendment to the bill of the House to appropriate money to pay the committee to examine the work of the Code commissioners, and asked a Committee of Conference thereon.

The same committee was appointed on the part of the Senate.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to establish a board of road commissioners for Lumpkin county, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the House to compel all persons who sell, or offer to sell, in the county of Liberty, any beef, pork, or mutton, to exhibit the ears of the animal killed, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, the bill of the House to place all jails, etc., in the control of the commissioners of roads and revenues was recommended to the General Judiciary Committee.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to authorize the mayor and council of the town of Clarkesville to issue bonds, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Habersham.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the bill of the House to prevent the procurement of consignments of farm, orchard, and dairy products to irresponsible parties.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to change the time of holding the superior court in Pulaski county.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.



The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to fix the compensation of the two bailiffs of the second division of the city court of Atlanta.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Temperance Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to amend an act to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors at Trion Factory, etc., and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 1.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend the various acts chartering the town of Conyers, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to prohibit the manufacture of any kind of spirituous or intoxicating liquors, except domestic wines, in the county of Coweta.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to fix the official bond of the receiver of tax returns in Bibb county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Temperance on the bill of the House to amend an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Habersham, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend the charter of the Title Guarantee and Loan Company of Savannah.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up on the report of the Committee on Military Affairs on the bill of the House to require all infantry and cavalry companies of the Georgia volunteers and Georgia volunteers, colored, to be attached to one of the present existing regiments or battalions of the State, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to pay Geo. B. Whitaker back pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,†	Long,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Little,	Sanford,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Starr,
Craig,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 22d,	Morton,	Wilson,
Johnson,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Keen,	Osborne,	Wade,
Lewis,	Ryals,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Harrison,	Storey,
Boyd,	McClure,	Whitley,
Brown,	Norman,	Mr. President.
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,	

Yeas 33. Nays 0. Not voting 11.

So the resolution was concurred in.

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The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to make penal the offense of hindering, obstructing, or interfering with officers charged with the duty of executing the sentence or order of court after trial of persons charged with crimes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 29, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Jakin, in Early county, etc.

Proof of legal notice submitted.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

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3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President *pro tem.* in the chair.

The roll-call was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend an act to incorporate the town of Graysville, in the county of Catoosa.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr President:*

The House has concurred in the following resolution of the Senate as amended, to wit:

A resolution to authorize the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of the Senate, Clerk of the House, and chairmen of the Enrolling and Auditing Committees, and certain members of said committees to remain five days after adjournment.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that they do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 493, by Mr. Fouchè of Floyd, to provide who may redeem real estate sold at tax-sales.

Also, House bill No. 718, by Mr. Battle of Muscogee, to provide for official surveys of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, etc.

They have also had under consideration House bill No. 398, by Mr. Mell of Clarke, to amend an act entitled an act to establish a city court in the county of Clarke, etc., which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Also, house bill No. 136, by Mr. Branan of Fulton, to vest the management and care of all jails and all persons confined therein under the control of the county commissioners, which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that the amendments of the House be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the following resolution:

A resolution instructing the Senate and requesting the representatives of Georgia, in Congress, to use their influence to establish a new department of the general government to be known as the department of commerce.

The House has also passed the following Senate bill:

A bill to adopt and make of force the new Code of laws to be prepared under the Code commissioners.

Also, a bill to amend an act to establish a school for colored persons as a branch of the University

The House has amended the Senate amendment to the following bill of the House, to wit:

A bill to amend the general railroad laws of this State.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House for the relief of Jane Sanders.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs. —

Broughton,	Long,	Ryals,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Brown,	McMillan,	Snead,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Craig,	McGregor,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wade,
Johnson,	Norman,	Whitley.
Keen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Storey
Bush,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Bussey,	Osborne,	Wilson
Boyd,	Roberts,	Williams,
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Lewis,		

Yeas 28. Not voting 16.

So the resolution was concurred in.

Mr. Little, chairman on the part of the Senate committee, submitted the following report of the joint committee to investigate the obstructions in the Savannah river at Augusta :

*Mr. President :*

Article 2 of the treaty of Beaufort, entered into between the State of Georgia and South Carolina, in 1887, is as follows:

1. The navigation of the river Savannah at and from the bar and mouth along the northeast side of Cockspur Island and up the direct course of the main northern channel along the northern side of Hutcherson's Island opposite the town of Savannah to the upper end of said island, and from thence up the bed or principal stream of the said river to the confluence of the rivers Tugalo and Keowee, and from the confluence up the channel of the most northern stream of Tulago river to its source and backing in by the same channel to the Atlantic Ocean, is hereby declared henceforth equally free to the citizens of both States and exempt from all duties, tolls, hindrance, interruption, and molestation whatsoever attempted to be enforced by one State on the citizens of another, and all the rest of the river Savannah to the southward of the foregoing description, is acknowledged to be the exclusive right of the State of Georgia.

2. As to whether the obstructions in the Savannah river at Augusta are in violation of said treaty, the committee do not determine, the question being one involving the construction of said treaty and the legislative enactments passed at different times by the two States.

3. A few years ago the city authorities of Augusta placed in said dam a fishway known as the McDonald fishway near the South Carolina side, the same being placed in an opening in the dam about 12 feet wide, and said fishway being about  $10\frac{1}{2}$  feet wide.

4. It is feasible for fish to pass up said fishway if the same is kept in good condition and fishing is not allowed with nets or otherwise within a reasonable distance of said fishway above and below the same. The committee are unable to determine whether one fishway is sufficiently adequate or not.

5. The committee believe that the authorities of Augusta are willing to do anything that may be reasonably required of them to remedy the evil complained of.

6. The committee recommend the enactment of such laws as will prevent the obstruction of migration of fish below Augusta and the periodical inspection of fishways in the dam at Augusta by the State fish commission, with a view of ascertaining that it be kept adequate to effect the passage of migrating fish up the waters of the Savannah river; and in the event the said fish commissioner at any time finds the fishway now in use inadequate to effect the passage of fish, that he report the same to the Governor. The Governor, in that event, being authorized to negotiate with the city authorities of Augusta with reference to the construction of additional fishways, and report the result of such negotiation to the next General Assembly.

We further recommend that the said fish commissioner



report to the next General Assembly such legislation as he may deem necessary to secure the free passage of fish up the Savannah river

Respectfully submitted.

A. G. McCURRY,  
D. G. FOGARTY,  
W A. DODSON,  
Committee on part of House.  
W R. LITTLE,  
CLAIBORNE SNEED,  
Committee on part of Senate.

The foregoing report was, on motion, adopted.

Mr. Osborne, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Railroad Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that the same be returned to the House in order that the author be allowed to withdraw the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act granting right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railway where its route adjoins that of the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

Respectfully submitted,

W W OSBORNE, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to establish a system of free schools for the town of Trion, etc.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 29, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

In accordance with the request of the Senate the House has agreed to a Committee of Conference upon the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to appropriate \$25,000 to be used in the construction of additional buildings and furnishing same for the Georgia Normal and Industrial College.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Redding, Blalock of Oglethorpe, Caldwell, Dennard, and Humphreys.

Also, a bill to pay the *per diem* and expenses of joint committee to examine the work of Code commissioners.

The committee on the part of the House for the above bill are Messrs. Reagan, West, Caldwell, Jarrell, and Bennett.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bill of the House, to wit :

A bill to amend an act prescribing the method of granting charters to banking companies.

The House has also passed the following Senate bill, to wit :

A bill to provide for service by publication in certain cases.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution for relief of the South Brunswick Terminal Railroad Company.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the Committee on House resolution No. 117, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Conference Committee have agreed to recommend to the Senate and House respectively that the amount of expenses to be allowed to the joint committee on the examination of the Code shall be fixed at forty dollars each, and they recommend the adoption of the same as an amendment to the resolution aforesaid.

Respectfully submitted.

N E. HARRIS, Chairman.  
E. B. LEWIS,  
W C. BEEKS,  
RUFUS N. ROBERTS,  
TRAMMELL STARR,  
Committee.

The foregoing report of the Committee of Conference was, on motion, adopted.

Mr. Harris, chairman on the part of the Senate on the difference of the two Houses in regard to an appropriation of \$5,000.00 to the School of Technology, reported a failure of the Conference Committee to agree, and moved the appointment of another Committee of Conference on said disagreement.

The President appointed the same committee.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to pay M. A. Hardin and Chas. S. Northen for preparing and mailing a statement of the business to each member of the General Assembly.

The committee reported in favor of concurring therein, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was read the third time,

and on the question of concurring in the resolution as amended, the ayes and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Little,	Snead,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Starr
Craig,	McGregor,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wade,
Johnson,	Norman,	Williams.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Morton,	Tatum,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Harris of the 12th,	Roberts,	Mr. President.
Keen,	Storey,	

Yeas 27    Not voting 17

So the resolution was concurred in as amended.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Wilcox.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill of the Senate by substitute, to wit:

A bill to provide for the protection of the county reserve in the city of Macon, to declare certain intrusions penal.

The House has also passed the following bills of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to amend an act to establish a board of medical examiners for this State.

The House has also agreed to the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution to authorize the Governor to borrow money to supply deficiencies.

Mr. Sanford, chairman of the Penitentiary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr President :*

The Committee on Penitentiary have had under consideration House bill No. 139, by Mr. Armstrong of Wilkes, entitled a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the inspection of misdemeanor convicts, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that it do pass by substitute.

Respectfully submitted.

B. W. SANFORD, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the Secretary was directed to inform the House that the Committee of Conference on the differences of the two Houses relative to the amendments to House bill appropriating money to the State Normal and Industrial College, which amendment appropriates \$5,000 to the Technological School, had failed to agree and to return the bill to the House, with the request that another Committee of Conference be appointed.

On motion of Mr. Harris of the Twenty-second district, the Senate refused to concur in the amendment of the

House providing for bringing up the unfinished business of the present session.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to establish a public school system for the town of Wadley.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

Mr. Harris, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration House bill No. 604, by Mr. Little of Muscogee, to amend section 1855 of the Code of 1882, so as to change the number of commissioners in lunacy cases, etc., which they direct me to report to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Also, House bill No. 518, by Mr. Farmer of Coweta, to allow affidavits to foreclose liens to be made before officers authorized to administer oaths generally, etc., which they direct me to report, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

N. E. HARRIS, Chairman.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to allow affidavits to foreclose liens to be made before any officer authorized to administer oaths, and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with an amendment, which was adopted, and report was agreed to.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on the Penitentiary on the reconsidered bill of the House to provide for the inspection of misdemeanor convicts.

The committee reported in favor of its passage by substitute, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended by substitute—yeas 30, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Coffee.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to amend an act approved November 26, 1890, to establish a school for colored people in this State.

The committee reported in favor of its passage with an amendment, which was adopted, and report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

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7 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

The roll-call was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to create a board of county commissioners for Fannin county, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to amend the general tax act of 1895 and 1896, approved December, 1894, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Fannin county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following bills of the Senate as amended, to wit :

A bill to define the rights and privileges of foreign trustees and guardians in this State.



Also, a bill to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad.

The House has indefinitely postponed the following bill of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to repeal paragraphs 8 and 9 of section 1 of article 5 of the Constitution, to provide for a lieutenant-governor.

The House has agreed to the following resolution of the Senate, to wit:

A resolution asking an appropriation from the government for a roadway from Atlanta to McPherson Barracks.

The House has adopted the following resolution:

A resolution to appoint a joint committee on adjournment.

The House refuses to concur in the Senate amendments to the following bill of the House:

A bill to amend an act providing for pensions for Confederate soldiers.

On motion of Mr. Starr, the Senate insisted on its amendment to amend an act providing for pensions for Confederate soldiers, and asked a Committee of Conference thereon.

The President *pro tem.* appointed as said committee Messrs. Lewis, Starr, Harris of the Twenty-second district, Roberts, and Lumpkin.

*Mr. President:*

The following members of the Conference Committee on the part of the Senate and House in reference to amendment of House bill No. 321, appropriating \$5,000 to the

Technological School, beg leave to report that the Senate recedes from its amendment.

Respectfully submitted.

W. C. BEEKS,  
R. W. ROBERTS,  
E. B. LEWIS,  
TRAMMELL STARR,  
Committee.

On motion of Mr. Starr, the House amendment to the bill of the Senate to define the rights and privileges of foreign trustees and guardians in this State was taken up and concurred in.

The Senate took up a resolution of the House to appoint a joint committee on adjournment, and concurred therein.

The President appointed as the committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Harrison and Beeks.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to incorporate the town of Pinehurst, in Dooly county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Wilcox, and for other purposes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Finance on the resolution of the House to relieve the Atlanta and Chattahoochee Railway Company and the Collins Park and Belt Railway Company from penalty for not returning taxes.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas were 26, nays 0.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The resolution of the House instructing the Senators and Representatives of Georgia to use their influence in Congress to establish a new department of the general government, to be known as the department of commerce, was read and adopted.

The Senate took up the report of the Special Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to abolish the city court of Laurens county.

Proof of legal notice was submitted.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were demanded and recorded :

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Mercer,	Storey,
Brown,	McGregor,	Snead,
Cumming,	McGarrity,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Tatum,
Johnson,	Norman,	Wilson.
Keen,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Harrison,	Wilcox,
Bussey,	Little,	Wade.
Brand,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Bush,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Craigo,	Monro,	Starr,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Whitley,
Lewis,	Ryals,	Williams,
Long,	Roberts,	Mr. President.

Yeas 16. Nays 7 Not voting 21.

So the bill was lost.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit :

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The Senate, on motion, went into executive session, and returned to open session.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend an act to establish a city court for Clarke county, etc., and for other purposes.

The committee reported in favor of its passage, with an amendment, which was adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 24, nays 0.

On motion of Mr. Long, the Senate refused to concur in the House amendment to the bill of the Senate to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad, etc.

The amendments of the House to the following bills of the Senate were concurred in, to wit:

A bill to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad.

Also, a bill to provide for the protection of the cemetery reserve in the city of Macon.

Also, a bill to amend an act, approved November 12, 1889, declaring ineligible to any other municipal office the officers of towns, etc., during their terms of office.

The amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to amend the general railroad law was, on motion, concurred in.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has passed the following Senate bill, to wit :

A bill to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railway Company

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the following resolution of the House, to wit :

A resolution to pay Mr. Hardin, Clerk, Chas. S. Northen, Assistant Secretary of the Senate, for mailing statement of business to members of General Assembly.

The House has passed the following bill of the Senate as amended, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to declare the councilmen and aldermen ineligible during their term of office to other municipal offices, excepting the offices which are filled by appointment by the mayor.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to amend section 4721 of the Code, which makes it the duty of the arresting officer to carry the accused to the county where the offense was committed.

Also, a bill to amend an act fixing the time for holding courts in the Rome judicial circuit.

Also, a bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Locust Grove.

Also, a bill to regulate the practice in the courts of this State.

Also, a bill to amend an act to provide for the appointment of auditors and prescribe their duties.

The House recedes from its amendment to the following resolution of the Senate, to wit :

A resolution to authorize the President of Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House, Auditing and Enrolling Committees to remain five days after adjournment.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, to wit :

A bill to incorporate the town of Jakin, in Early county.

Also, a bill to allow affidavits to foreclose liens to be made before any officer authorized to administer oaths.

Also, a bill to make penal the offense of hindering an officer in the discharge of duty.

The House has also passed the following bills of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to amend an act authorizing judges, where the

evidence is vulgar or obscene, to hear and try the case after clearing the courthouse.

Also, a bill to authorize justices of the peace to preside in districts other than their own.

Mr. Osborne, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same be returned to the House, that the introducer may be allowed to withdraw the same :

A bill to repeal an act granting right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railway, where its route adjoins that of the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

Respectfully submitted.

W W OSBORNE, Chairman.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President:*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they direct me to report, with recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

A bill to provide for and authorize the payment of pensions to certain widows, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following House resolutions do pass, to wit :

A resolution providing for the payment to the city of Atlanta of the State's proportion of the expenses of paving West Cain street, and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution to authorize the Governor and Attorney-General to make a final settlement with W P McClatchey, of Tennessee, for legal services to the State.

Also, a resolution to pay Thomas R. Daniel and William Bridges their pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

The committee also recommend that the introducer of the following Senate bill be allowed to withdraw the same, to wit:

A bill to amend section 4 of the act approved December 23, 1884, in reference to funding the public debt, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

It was ordered by the Senate that the bill of the House to repeal an act granting the right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railway, etc., be returned to the House, that it may be withdrawn by the introducer.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to provide who may redeem real estate sold at tax sales.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and lost, there being yeas 10, nays 18.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to provide for and authorize the payment of pensions to certain widows of Confederate soldiers, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required and recorded.



Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Mercer,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Morton,	Snead,
Brand,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Norman,	Wade.
Long,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Monro,	Sharpe,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Keen,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Lewis,	Starr,
Brown,	Lumpkin,	Upchurch,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Wilcox,
Craig,	McGregor,	Whitley,
Harris of the 3d,	Roberts,	Williams.
Johnson,	Storey,	

Yeas 19. Nays 5. Not voting 20.

So the bill was lost.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Banks on the bill of the House to amend an act to authorize the issuance of circulating notes to the banks and banking institutions of this State, etc.

The report, which was favorable, was amended, on motion of Mr. Long, by adding the usual repealing clause.

The report, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended—yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report on the bill of the House to amend section 1855 of the Code.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 16, nays 7

So the bill was lost.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the Conference Committee on the part of the Senate to consider and report on House bill No. 421, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

The Senate committee has agreed with the House committee on the following amendment in lieu of the last clause of Senate amendment, that the first payment under this act shall be made the first of January, 1896, or as near thereafter as may be practicable for the year 1896, and that the second payment shall be made the first of January, 1897, for the year 1897, or as near thereafter as may be practicable.

E. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

W H. LUMPKIN,

R. W ROBERTS,

TRAMMELL STAR,

N. E. HARRIS,

Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Finance on the resolution of the House for the relief of the Brunswick Street Railroad Company and its successors, etc.

The committee reported in favor of concurring therein with amendments, which were adopted, and the report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in as amended—yeas 26, nays 0.

The Senate, on motion, reconsidered the bill of the House to provide for and authorize the payment of pensions to certain widows of Confederate soldiers who are on the invalid pension roll, and have died from the effects of the injuries for which they were pensioned.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Bush,	Mercer,	Storey,
Boyd,	McGregor,	Sanford,
Brand,	Morton,	Starr,
Brown,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Norman,	Wilcox.
Keen,	Ryals,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Monro,	Sharpe.
Cumming,	Osborne,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Craig,	Little,	Wade,
Harris of the 3d,	McMillan,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Snead,	Williams,
Johnson,	Upchurch,	Mr. President.
Long,		

Yeas 26. Nays 5. Not voting 13.

So the reconsidered bill was passed.

The Senate, on motion, took a recess subject to the call of the chair. After a few moments spent in recess, the Senate was called to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to amend an act permitting Confederate soldiers to peddle without a license.

The House has concurred in the report of the Conference Committee report, and adopted the amendments of the Senate as amended by said report to the following bill of the House, to wit:

A bill to amend an act providing an annual pension for Confederate soldiers, which is House bill No. 421.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendment to the following bills of the House, to wit:

A bill to authorize the issuance of circulating notes to the banks and banking associations of this State.

The House has also passed the following bill of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to amend section 1979 of the Code of 1882.

Also a bill to amend an act to establish a city court in the county of Clarke.

The following message of the Governor was taken up, read, and ordered to be spread on the Journal:

*Members of the General Assembly:*

Since my message to you at the opening of the present session of your body there have transpired occurrences of

so grave a character as to impose upon me the duty of again sending to you a communication.

Information reached me that there were in Screven county two parties charged with murder who had not been arrested, although the sheriff had in his hands a warrant charging them with the aforesaid offense. These men were reported to be armed and ready to resist any effort that might be made to bring them to trial for the offense charged. I offered a reward of \$500 for their arrest, and wrote the sheriff of the county, calling his attention to the fact that it was his duty to arrest them, and requested that he summons a *posse comitatus* and execute the warrant in his hands. On November the 14th the sheriff wrote me: "I summoned a posse of thirty-eight men to meet me this morning. Out of thirty-eight three responded to the summons. I went with the three men and searched the premises, but they could not be found. Where they are I am not able to say, as I could learn nothing from the family."

I am informed that on this day the defendants were seen bird-hunting in the county of Screven.

There is no penalty attached for failure to respond to the summons of a sheriff to act as a *posse comitatus*.

This statement of facts, without argument, justifies me in recommending:

1. That a law be enacted that will provide a penalty for the failure to obey the summons of a sheriff to act as a *posse comitatus*.

2. That it be made the duty of the solicitor-general, in every case where he has reason to believe that an arresting officer has failed to make an arrest when it was in his power to do so, to draw a rule *nisi* against him, so that if the facts on trial warrant it, he may be punished as prescribed

in section 3957, to wit: " Fined, imprisoned, or removed from office in the manner prescribed by the Constitution and laws."

It is folly to expect the military to turn out and roam through the forest in search of every criminal who evades arrest. It is the duty of the arresting officers to execute warrants for criminals, and the law-making power should give to them ample power to perform their duty. When this has been done, if any one of them fail, when in his power to arrest, he should be punished and promptly discharged.

Government owes to the people no higher duty than the impartial and speedy enforcement of law. The standard of the civilization of a people, the efficiency and character of a government, are determined not by the laws which it enacts, but by those which it enforces.

#### RECENT LYNCHINGS.

During the present session of the General Assembly there have been reported three lynchings—one in Clinch county, one in Montgomery, and one in Dooly. These savage acts are in violation of the rights of the citizen and of the express declaration of the Constitution of the State. I invite your attention to the following, which I take from the Bill of Rights, which is a part of our Constitution :

Article 1, section 1, paragraph 2, Code, section 4994 : Protection to person and property is the paramount duty of government, and shall be impartial and complete.

Article 1, section 1, paragraph 3, Code, section 4995 : No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property except by due process of law.

Article 1, section 1, paragraph 5, Code, section 4997 : Every person charged with an offense against the laws of this State shall have the privilege and benefit of counsel ;

shall be furnished on demand with a copy of the accusation and a list of the witnesses on whose testimony the charge against him is founded; shall have compulsory process to obtain the testimony of his own witnesses; shall be confronted with the witnesses testifying against him, and shall have a public and speedy trial by an impartial jury.

Article 1, section 1, paragraph 9, Code, section 5001: Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted; nor shall any person be abused in being arrested, while under arrest, or in prison.

In spite of these rights guaranteed to every citizen three men have been taken during your present sitting and deprived of life without trial, without an opportunity to be heard in their own defense—in the language of the Constitution, “Without due process of law.” While the Constitution of our State says, “Nor shall any person be abused in being arrested, while under arrest, or in prison,” it is true that in each of the cases above referred to, the party murdered by lynchers was actually taken from the custody of the officers of law, who held him to answer the charge in a court authorized to try and if guilty punish him. The lynchers used the officers of the law to arrest and disarm their victims, and then took them from the custody of the law and killed them. This is not only true in these cases, but is, I think, also true of every case of lynching during my term as Governor. In each case the officers had the defendant in charge and the judges of the courts were ready to do their full duty, grant a speedy trial, and inflict punishment if guilty. There had been no failure on the part of the officers of the law to do their full duty. In one instance the Governor had offered a reward for the arrest of the defendant, he had been arrested, the reward paid, a special term of court called, the defendant convicted and

sentenced to be hung in the shortest time allowed by law, and yet he was taken from the sheriff in the court room, in the presence of the court and jury, and lynched.

That you may fully appreciate the enormity of the wrong done by so-called lynch law to the reputation of the State, to civilization, and to the rights of man, I invite you to inquire into each of the recent cases which have moved me to pen this communication. The conduct of the mob in each case is unjustifiable, disgraceful, and shocking, but in one of them the wrong done was especially horrifying. While engaged in writing this message, there came into my office, asking that he be accorded a trial in our courts, a man who had fled from an angry mob which endeavored to capture and lynch him.

Mob violence does not aid in suppressing lawlessness, but increases it. One mob begets another mob. If you will note the reported sequence of the lynching in Montgomery county, where it is said murder has been added to murder by the killing of the father of the girl alleged to have been assaulted by the man who was lynched, you will see to what mob violence will assuredly lead.

We all know of many wrongs it has done and of mistakes it has made in selecting its victims. How many innocent men have been sacrificed by this lawless court can never be known, for it denies its victims the right to be heard in their own defense, and then closes their mouths forever.

The people can safely entrust the punishment of crime to our courts. If the men charged with crimes are guilty, they should be punished as provided by law, and the courts should and will inflict this penalty.

Men seem to forget that each man who engages in a lynching violates the law against murder, and that the penalty is death upon the gallows.



The arresting officer is now clothed with power to take the life of his assailants when resisting their efforts to take a prisoner from him, and it is his duty to take the life of the assailants if necessary to protect his prisoner and retain him in custody.

That it may be ascertained whether or not he does his full duty in this respect in every instance, I recommend the passage of a law requiring a thorough investigation in every case, and providing adequate punishment when he falls short of the full measure of his duty. Existing laws are inadequate to meet the emergency. Other laws should therefore be enacted to enforce the Constitution, and to secure to the citizen rights guaranteed in our fundamental law.

If the measures herein and heretofore suggested by me do not meet your approval, I most earnestly ask that you devise others, and enact them into law. In every effort you may make to stamp out lynchinn, you shall have my hearty co-operation, and every law which you may enact shall be enforced if I am given the power to do so.

The responsibility for the needed legislation is upon you, and I shall confidently rely upon your doing your full duty. I cannot believe that I ask in vain when I present these things to the representatives of the people of Georgia, and seek such legislation as will save our State from further humiliation and disgrace, and secure to every citizen rights guaranteed in express terms in our State Constitution, and which are the birthrights of every citizen of an English-speaking country.

W Y ATKINSON,  
Governor.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following resolutions of the House, to wit:

A resolution for the relief of the Brunswick Railway Terminal Company.

Also, a resolution appointing a committee from the Senate and House to investigate the convicts of this State.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to authorize any written instrument to be admitted in evidence when the subscribing witnesses are dead, insane, incompetent, etc.

The House has indefinitely postponed the following bill of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to authorize the county authorities in whose counties there are no municipal or county chain-gangs to hire convicts to private individuals.

The House has passed the following bill of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to require banks chartered under the laws of this State, where the capital stock is impaired, to make the same good by transfer from the surplus or undivided profits thereof.

Also, the following bill of the Senate, failing to receive the constitutional majority, was lost.

Also, a bill to amend an act to provide for and regulate the business of insurance brokers.

The House has also passed the following bill of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to amend an act that no manufacturer shall be allowed to sell but one brand of fertilizers under one brand of one analysis.

The House has receded from its amendment to the following bill of the Senate :

A bill to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railway under certain conditions.

The House has passed the following bills of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to make more specific the crime of barratry.

Also, a bill to amend section 1978 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to amend section 3837 of the Code of 1882.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof :

*Mr President :*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the following bill of the Senate, to wit :

A bill to amend section 4721 of the Code of 1882.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House providing for the payment to the city of Atlanta of the State's proportion of the expense of paving West Cain street, and of paving, sewer-ing, etc., in Spring and West Cain streets adjoining the grounds of the executive mansion.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	McMillan,	Storey,
Broughton,	Mercer,	Sanford,
Bush,	Morton,	Snead,
Boyd,	McClure,	Sharpe,
Craig,	Norman,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Osborne,	Wilson,
Harrison,	Ryals,	Wilcox.
Keen,	Sheppard,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bussey,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Brand,	Long,	Starr,
Brown,	Little,	Upchurch,
Cumming,	Lumpkin,	Wade,
Harris of the 3d,	McGregor,	Whitley,
Harris of the 22d,	Monroe,	Williams,
Johnson,	McGarrity,	Mr. President.

Yeas 23. Not voting 21.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House for the relief of Jane Evett and others of Catoosa county.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and lost—yeas 18, nays 7

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on the State of the Republic on the resolution of the House condemning any movement looking to a union of church and State.

The resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the resolution of the House revoking ceded

rights granted to the United States over certain lands adjoining Chickamauga National Park.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in—yeas 23, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Railroads on the resolution of the House authorizing an agreement to be made with the city of Atlanta affecting the use of Wall Street.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Railroads on the resolution of the House ratifying and confirming provisional settlements made by the Governor and Attorney-General concerning certain rights, ways, and properties of the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in—yeas 25, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the resolution of the House to allow the duplicate specimens of woods, minerals, etc., in possession of the State, to be loaned to museums and other scientific institutions.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and concurred in.

The resolution of the House authorizing the Governor to accept certain historical publications from General James D. McBride was taken up and concurred in.

The resolution of the House allowing the postmistress of the House three days' extra pay, etc., was taken up and concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to pay Thomas R. Daniel and William Bridges their pensions for the years 1893 and 1894.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Mercer,	Ryals,
Bush,	McGregor,	Storey,
Boyd,	Monro,	Sanford,
Harris of the 12th,	Morton,	Snead,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Sharpe,
Harrison,	McClure,	Tatum,
Keen,	Norman,	Wilson,
Lewis,	Osborne,	Wade,
McMillan,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Johnson,	Starr,
Bussey.	Long,	Upchurch,
Brand,	Little,	Wilcox,
Brown,	Lumpkin,	Whitley,
Cumming,	Roberts,	Williams.
Craig,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Harris of the 3d,		

Yeas 25. Not voting 19.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to authorize the Governor and Attorney-General to make a final settlement with Mr. W P McClatchy, of Tennessee, for legal services to the State.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lumpkin,	Ryals,
Broughton,	McMillan,	Roberts,
Bush,	Mercer,	Storey,
Bussey,	McGregor,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Monro,	Snead,
Craig,	Morton,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wilson,
Keen,	Norman,	Wilcox,
Lewis,	Osborne,	Wade.
Little,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brand,	Johnson,	Upchurch,
Brown,	Long,	Whitley,
Cumming,	Sheppard,	Williams,
Harris of the 3d,	Starr,	Mr. President.
Harris of the 22d,		

Yeas 31. Not voting 13.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to purchase a portrait of the Hon. Robert Toombs.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Roberts,
Broughton,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Snead,
Brand,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Brown,	McGregor,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harrison,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,

Johnson,	McClure,	Wade,
Keen,	Norman,	Whitley.
Lewis,	Ryals,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Harris of the 22d,	Sanford,
Boyd,	Long,	Tatum,
Cumming,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Craigo,	Osborne,	Williams,
Harris of the 3d,	Storey,	Mr. President.

Yeas 29. Not voting 15.

So the bill was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the bill of the House to make an appropriation for an arithmometer and a Smith Premier typewriter for the treasury department.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Keen,	Norman,
Broughton,	Long,	Ryals,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Roberts,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Starr,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Harrison,	McClure,	Whitley.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Little,	Tatum,
Boyd,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Brown,	Morton,	Wilson,
Craigo,	Osborne,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,	Williams,
Johnson,	Storey,	Mr. President.
Lewis,	Snead,	

Yeas 24. Not voting 20.

So the bill was passed.



The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on House resolution to appropriate fifty dollars to pay the pension of W. C. Shore of Habersham county.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Keen,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Long,	Snead,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Brown,	Mercer,	Tatum,
Craig,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wade,
Harrison,	Roberts,	Whitley.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Sheppard,
Bush,	McMillan,	Storey,
Boyd,	McGregor,	Starr,
Cumming,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	Norman,	Williams,
Johnson,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Lewis,	Ryals,	

Yeas 24. Not voting 20.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to pay Mrs. Althema B. Sailors, widow of John B. Sailors, fifty dollars, one year's pension due John B. Sailors at the time of his death, and to pay Mrs. Ellen McGovern the sum of one hundred dollars, one year's pension due William McGovern at the time of his death.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	McMillan,	Snead,
Broughton,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Bussey,	Monro,	Tatum,
Keen,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Lewis,	McClure,	Wade,
Long,	Norman,	Whitley,
Little,	Roberts,	Mr. President.
Lumpkin,	Sanford,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Harris of the 12th,	Ryals,
Boyd,	Harris of the 22d,	Sheppard,
Brand,	Harrison,	Storey,
Brown,	Johnson,	Starr,
Cumming,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Morton,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Williams.

Yeas 23. Not voting 21

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House requesting the Governor to pay certain coupons of the Northeastern Railroad.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Brand,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Brown,	Mercer,	Snead,
Cumming,	Monro,	Sharpe,
Craig,	McGarrity,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	Norman,	Wade,
Keen,	Ryals,	Whitley

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Story,
Bush,	Little,	Tatum,
Bussey,	Lumpkin,	Upchurch,
Boyd,	McGregor,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Morton,	Williams,
Harris of the 22d,	Osborne,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Sheppard,	

Yeas 24. Not voting 20.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House for the relief of Mrs. Julia A. Knight and Susan E. Massey, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurring, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Bussey,	Little,	Sanford,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Brown,	McMillan,	Sharpe,
Craigo,	Mercer,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Keen,	Norman,	Wade.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Boyd,	Morton,	Whitley,
Cumming,	Osborne,	Williams,
Harris of the 3d,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Johnson,	Storey,	

Yeas 30. Not voting 14.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House to pay the widow of R. I. G. Blake of Dade county the pension due her husband for the year 1893.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Long,	Roberts,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sanford,
Cumming,	McMillan,	Snead,
Craig,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Tatum,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Johnson,	Norman,	Whitley.
Keen,	Osborne,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Little,	Starr,
Bussey,	McGregor,	Upchurch,
Boyd,	Morton,	Wade,
Brown,	Sheppard,	Williams,
Harris of the 3d,	Storey,	Mr. President.

Nays 29. Not voting 15.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House appropriating \$100.00 to pay the expenses of special investigating committee.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Sheppard,
Broughton,	Mercer,	Sanford,
Bussey,	McGregor,	Sharpe,
Brand,	Monro,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Tatum,
Johnson,	McClure,	Wilcox,
Keen,	Norman,	Wade,
Lewis,	Ryals,	Williams.
Long,	Roberts,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Harris of the 22d,	Storey,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Snead,
Brown,	Lumpkin,	Upchurch.
Cumming,	McMillan,	Wilson,
Craig,	Morton,	Whitley,
Harris of the 3d,	Osborne,	Mr. President.

Yeas 26. Not voting 18.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the House resolution to make an appropriation to pay the clerk of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, sitting during recess.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Long,	Ryals,
Broughton,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Bussey,	Mercer,	Snead,
Brown,	McGregor,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Monro,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wade,
Keen,	Norman,	Williams.
Lewis,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Bush,	Little,	Storey
Boyd,	Lumpkin,	Tatum,
Brand,	Morton,	Upchurch,
Craig,	Osborne, <sup>†</sup>	Wilcox,
Harris of the 3d,	Roberts,	Whitley,
Harrison,	Sheppard,	Mr. President.
Johnson,		

Yeas 25. Not voting 19.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to provide for official surveys of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, for filing maps thereof in the office of the Secretary of State, etc., and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Little,	Roberts,
Bush,	Lumpkin,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Brand,	Mercer,	Snead,
Brown,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Craig,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 12th,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	McClure,	Wade,
Harrison,	Norman,	Whitley,
Keen,	Ryals,	Williams.
Lewis,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Long,	Sharpe,
Boyd,	Morton,	Starr,
Cumming,	Osborne,	Upchurch,
Harris of the 3d,	Storey,	Mr. President.
Johnson,		

Yeas 31. Not voting 13.

So the bill was passed.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on House resolution to provide for the payment of one additional doorkeeper of the Senate for the session of 1895, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Keen,	Ryals,
Broughton,	Lewis,	Roberts,
Bush,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Little,	Snead,
Brand,	Lumpkin,	Sharpe,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Starr,
Craig,	McGregor,	Tatum,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wilcox,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wade,
Harrison,	McClure,	Williams.
Johnson,	Norman,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Boyd,	Morton,	Upchurch
Brown,	Osborne,	Wilson,
Harris of the 3d,	Storey,	Whitley,
McMillan,	Sanford,	Mr. President.

Yeas 32. Not voting 12.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the House resolution to appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 to pay the special commissioners for the adjudication of controversies affecting the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time, and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays were recorded.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Broughton,	Lewis,	Ryals,
Bush,	Long,	Sheppard,
Bussey,	Little,	Sanford,
Brown,	Lumpkin,	Snead,
Cumming,	Mercer,	Sharpe,
Craig,	McGregor,	Starr,
Harris of the 12th,	Monro,	Wilson,
Harris of the 22d,	McGarrity,	Wilcox,
Harrison,	McClure,	Wade,
Johnson,	Norman,	Williams.
Keen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Beeks,	Morton,	Tatum,
Boyd,	Osborne,	Upchurch,
Brand,	Roberts,	Whitley.
Harris of the 3d,	Storey,	Mr. President.
McMillan,		

Yeas 31. Not voting 13.

So the resolution was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the General Judiciary Committee on the bill of the House to amend section 1855 of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 16, nays 7

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House for the relief of the North Georgia Agricultural College, etc., and for other purposes.

The report of the committee was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.



The amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate to require banks chartered under the laws of this State, where the capital stock is impaired, to make the same good, etc., and for other purposes, was concurred in.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to authorize and empower the mayor and council of Dahlonga to grant the use of any streets in said town to any railroad, and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 24, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Education on the bill of the House to amend an act to amend the school laws of this State, etc., and for other purposes.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 27, nays 0.

The Senate took up the report of the Committee on Corporations on the bill of the House to amend an act incorporating the city of Chickamauga, in the county of Walker, etc.

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed—yeas 26, nays 0.

The resolution of the House instructing the fish commissioner to inspect the fishway at Augusta was taken up, read, and concurred in.

Mr. Roberts introduced a resolution providing for the

appointment of a committee to visit the Girls' Normal and Industrial College, which was taken up, read, and agreed to.

The President appointed Messrs. Brand and Bussey.

The Senate took up the report of the Finance Committee on the resolution of the House for the relief of John Evett and others, of Catoosa county.

The report was agreed to.

The resolution was read the third time and lost—yeas 7, nays 18.

Mr. Cumming introduced the following resolution, which was read and agreed to, to wit:

*Resolved*, That the Enrolling Committee be authorized to examine the last day's Journal of the proceedings of the last day of the session of the Senate after the Senate shall have adjourned and as soon as the Journal Clerk can prepare the same, and said committee is further authorized to correct and finally approve the Journal of said last day's proceedings.

The following Senate bills, adversely reported, were taken up and lost by agreement with said reports, to wit:

A bill, to require the several railroads in this State to accept and haul upon equal terms from railroads with which they connect, sleeping-cars and passenger coaches destined to points on or beyond the lines of such railroads, etc.

A bill, to prevent all discriminations and provide for equal facilities and advantages being afforded by all railroad companies doing business in this State to all railroad companies in or without the State, etc.

A bill, to regulate the movement of cars, trains, and traffic between lines of railroad connecting within this State, to prevent discriminations, etc., and for other purposes.

And a bill to amend an act approved December 20, 1893, etc.

The following distinguished men were invited to seats in the Senate during their stay in the city, to wit:

The Hon. R. G. Mitchell of Thomas county; Hon. J. M. Veach of Bartow county, and Hon. M. M. Crain of the State of Texas.

Mr. Starr offered the following resolution, which was unanimously agreed to, to wit:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate be and they are hereby tendered to Hon. W. H. Venable, President; Wm. Clifton, Secretary; Chas. S. Northen, Assistant Secretary; R. E. Wilson, Doorkeeper, and his assistants; Wm. Henry Harrison, Reading Clerk; J. Troup Taylor, Journal Clerk, and the Messenger, Flynn Hurgett, Jr., for the faithful and efficient manner in which they have severally discharged the duties of their respective positions.

Mr. Sheppard offered the following resolution, which was unanimously agreed to:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to Hon. C. H. Brand, President *pro tem.* of the Senate, for the ability and uniform courtesy with which he has performed the duties of his office.

The following act amending the Constitution of the State is spread in full on the Journal in obedience to constitutional requirement, to wit:

An act to be entitled an act to amend the Constitution of the State by adding a new paragraph to article 6, section 2, to be known as paragraph 8, so as to change the organization of the supreme court, to increase the number of as-

sociate justices, to provide for elections by the people, and for other purposes.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly*, That the Constitution of this State be amended by adding a new paragraph, to be known as paragraph 8 of section 2 of article 6, which shall read as follows:

The supreme court shall hereafter consist of a chief justice and five associate justices. The court shall have power to hear and determine cases when sitting, either in a body or in two divisions of three judges each, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the General Assembly. A majority of either division shall constitute a quorum for that division. The chief justice and the associate justices of the supreme court shall hereafter be elected by the people at the same time and in the same manner as the Governor and the State house officers are elected, except that the first election under this amendment shall be held on the third Wednesday in December, 1896, at which time one associate justice shall be elected for a full term of six years, to fill the vacancy occurring on January 1, 1897, by the expiration of the term of one of the present incumbents, and three additional associate justices shall be elected for terms expiring, respectively, January 1, 1899, January 1, 1901, and January 1, 1903. The persons elected as additional associate justices shall, among themselves, determine by lot, which of the three last mentioned terms each shall have, and they shall be commissioned accordingly. After said first election all terms (except unexpired terms) shall be for six years each.

In case of any vacancy which causes an unexpired term, the same shall be filled by executive appointment, and the person appointed by the Governor shall hold his office until his successor for the balance of the unexpired term

shall have been elected and qualified. The returns of said special election shall be made to the Secretary of State.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That whenever the above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be agreed to by two-thirds of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and the same has been entered on their Journals with the yeas and nays taken thereon, the Governor shall, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cause said amendment to be published in at least two newspapers in each congressional district in this State for the period of two months, next preceding the time of holding the next general election.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That above proposed amendment shall be submitted for ratification or rejection to the electors of this State at the next general election to be held after publication, as provided for in the second section of this act, in the several election districts of this State, at which election every person shall be qualified to vote who is entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly. All persons voting at said election in favor of adopting the proposed amendment to the Constitution shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For Suprems Court amendment," and all persons opposed to the adoption of said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against Supreme Court amendment."

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That the Governor be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide for the submission of the amendment proposed in the first section of this act to a vote of the people as required by the Constitution of this State, in paragraph 1 of section 1 of article 13, and by this act and if ratified, the Governor shall, when he ascertains such ratification from the Secretary of State, to whom the returns shall be referred in the manner as in

cases of elections for members of the General Assembly, to count and ascertain the results, issue his proclamation for one insertion in one of the daily papers of this State, announcing such result and declaring the amendment ratified.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

In House passed by a vote of 126 yeas and 17 nays.

In Senate passed with an amendment, yeas 33, nays 5.

Senate amendments concurred in by the House.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendment to the following bill of the House, to wit :

A bill to amend an act to create a school for colored people in Savannah as a branch of the State University, so as to change the name to the State Industrial School for Colored Persons.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President :*

I am instructed to inform this branch of the General Assembly that the House of Representatives have finished the business before them and are now ready to adjourn *sine die*. •

The Secretary was directed to inform the House that the Senate has completed its work and is ready to adjourn *sine die*.

The Governor being notified that the General Assembly

had concluded the business of the session and was ready to adjourn *sine die*, replied that he had no further official communication to submit.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have examined and find duly and properly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate and Speaker and Clerk of the House the following acts, to wit :

An act to amend an act incorporating the town of Kingston, in Bartow county, Ga., approved March 19, 1869.

Also, an act to authorize the Governor to relinquish all claims of the State to the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Railroad, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to require banks chartered under the laws of this State where the capital stock is impaired to make the same good, etc.

Also, a resolution asking an appropriation from the government for a roadway from Atlanta to McPherson Barracks.

Also, an act to provide for the sale or lease of the Northeastern Railroad, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to regulate the sale of domestic wines in the towns and cities of this State.

Also, an act to approve, adopt and make of force the Code of laws of Georgia, prepared under the direction and by authority of the General Assembly, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to prescribe the mode of changing venue in criminal cases.

Also, an act to authorize any written instrument, when the subscribing witnesses are dead, insane, incompetent, inaccessible, or do not recollect the transaction, to be admitted in evidence.

Also, an act to amend section 3837 of the Code of 1882, in which subscribing witnesses must be produced with certain stated exceptions, etc.

Also, an act to provide that a master may not contract with a servant exempting himself from liability to the servant, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend section 1979 of the Code of 1882, relating to lines of mechanics and material men, and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution for the relief of the South Brunswick Terminal Railroad Company.

Respectfully submitted.

E. R. SHARPE, Chairman.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your committee have examined and find duly and properly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Representatives, the following acts, to wit :

An act to amend an act of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved December 6, 1880, making it the duty of the clerk of the county court and the clerk of the superior court, where there is none, to select a judge *pro hac vice*.

Also, an act to provide for service by publication in certain cases, and for other purposes.



Also, an act to amend an act establishing a new charter for the city of Carrollton.

Also, an act to amend an act to establish a board of medical examiners for the State of Georgia, and for other purposes, approved December 12, 1894.

Also, an act to amend section 943(b) of the Code of 1882.

Also, an act to authorize the Governor and Treasurer to issue bonds, and negotiate same, for raising money with which to pay off an amount of public debt maturing July 1, 1896.

Also, an act to regulate practice in the superior court in cases now or hereafter pending, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend an act as to inspection, analysis, and sale of fertilizers, approved October 19, 1891.

Also, an act to amend section 752 of the Code of 1882.

Also, an act to amend section 4721 of the Code of Georgia.

Also, an act to authorize justices of the peace and notaries public to preside in districts other than their own.

Also, an act to amend an act approved October 15, 1891, to authorize judges in the superior courts to hear and try cases after clearing the court of all or any portion of the audience, etc.

Also, a joint resolution appointing two from the Senate and three from the House to investigate the convicts in this State.

Also, an act to define the rights and privileges of foreign trustees and guardians, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

E. R. SHARPE, Chairman.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr. President :*

Your Committee on Enrollment have had under consideration the following Senate acts, which they direct me to report back as duly and properly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate and the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Representatives, to wit :

An act to authorize the mayor and council of the city of Carrollton to hold an election on the question of issuing and selling bonds, not exceeding \$20,000, for providing suitable houses, furniture, apparatus, etc., for public schools of Carrollton.

Also, an act to make penal the selling or buying of seed cotton in the county of Columbia, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend an act to establish a system of public schools for the city of Carrollton.

Also, an act to provide for a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Lumpkin.

Also, an act to authorize the commissioners of roads and revenues of Chatham county to acquire, by purchase or condemnation proceedings, any road in said county owned by any private persons or corporations.

Also, an act to prohibit any non-resident person or persons from camp-hunting in the county of Dade.

Also, an act to repeal an act entitled an act to create a county court in each county of the State, so far as the same applies to the county of Gwinnett.

Also, an act to confer on judges of the superior and city courts of this State jurisdiction to hear and decide, in vaca-

tion, motions for new trial, certioraris, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend an act approved December 20, 1892, to carry into effect paragraph 18 of section 7 of article 3 of the Constitution of 1877, as amended, in relation to the chartering of banks, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend the charter of the Macon Savings Bank, so as to authorize the directors to reduce the capital stock, etc.

Also, an act to amend section 9 of an act approved February 25, 1876, to regulate the leasing out of penitentiary convicts, etc.

Also, an act to amend an act to amend section 4625(c) of the Code of 1882, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to provide for the application of all public school funds to Douglasville College, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend an act to carry into effect article 3, section 7, paragraph 18 of the Constitution of the State, in so far as the same relates to issuing and granting power to railroad companies by the Secretary of State.

Also, an act to provide for the protection of the cemetery reserve of Macon, and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution for the relief of J. D. Laing, tax-collector of Terrell county, and his securities.

Also, an act to prescribe the method of serving bills of exception upon non-resident defendants in error.

Also, an act to amend section 21 of an act, approved December 18, 1893, which relates to issuing corporate powers to insurance companies by the Secretary of State, by making the same apply to live-stock companies.

Also, an act to amend section 4625(c) of the Code of 1882.

Also, an act to amend an act, approved November 12, 1889, an act to declare councilmen and aldermen of the towns and cities of this State ineligible to hold other offices during their term of office.

Also, an act to establish a city court for Gwinnett county.

Also, an act to repeal the law defining court contracts and regulating the same, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

E. R. SHARPE, Chairman.

Mr. Sharpe, chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report :

*Mr President :*

The Committee on Enrollment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and Secretary of the Senate, the following acts, to wit:

An act to incorporate the town of Elberton, to define its limits, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to establish a new charter for the town of Statham, in Jackson county, Georgia.

Also, an act to revise the charter of the town of Bruton, to change the name from Bruton to Brewton, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend section 1 of an act to establish a school for colored persons as a branch of the State University, approved November 26, 1890, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to make more specific the crime of barratry in this State, and to include in the same the offering of services by attorneys at law in certain cases.

Also, an act to amend section 1978 of the Code of 1882, as amended by act, approved October 17, 1891.

Also, an act to amend an act, approved December 15, 1893, permitting Confederate soldiers to peddle without license, and for other purposes.

Also, a resolution authorizing the Governor to accept certain historical publications from General J. D. McBride.

Also, a resolution authorizing the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of the Senate, Clerk of the House, and members of Enrolling and Auditing Committees to remain after adjournment five days to bring up unfinished business, etc.

Also, a resolution to authorize the Governor to borrow money to supply deficiencies, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWIN R. SHARPE, Chairman.

The Senate was declared by the President to be adjourned *sine die*, at the hour of 12 o'clock at night.

The committee from the Enrolling Committee, to examine the Journal of the last day's proceedings of the Senate, have examined the same and find it correct.

Respectfully submitted.

E. R. SHARPE, Chairman.

WALTER C. BEEKS.

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